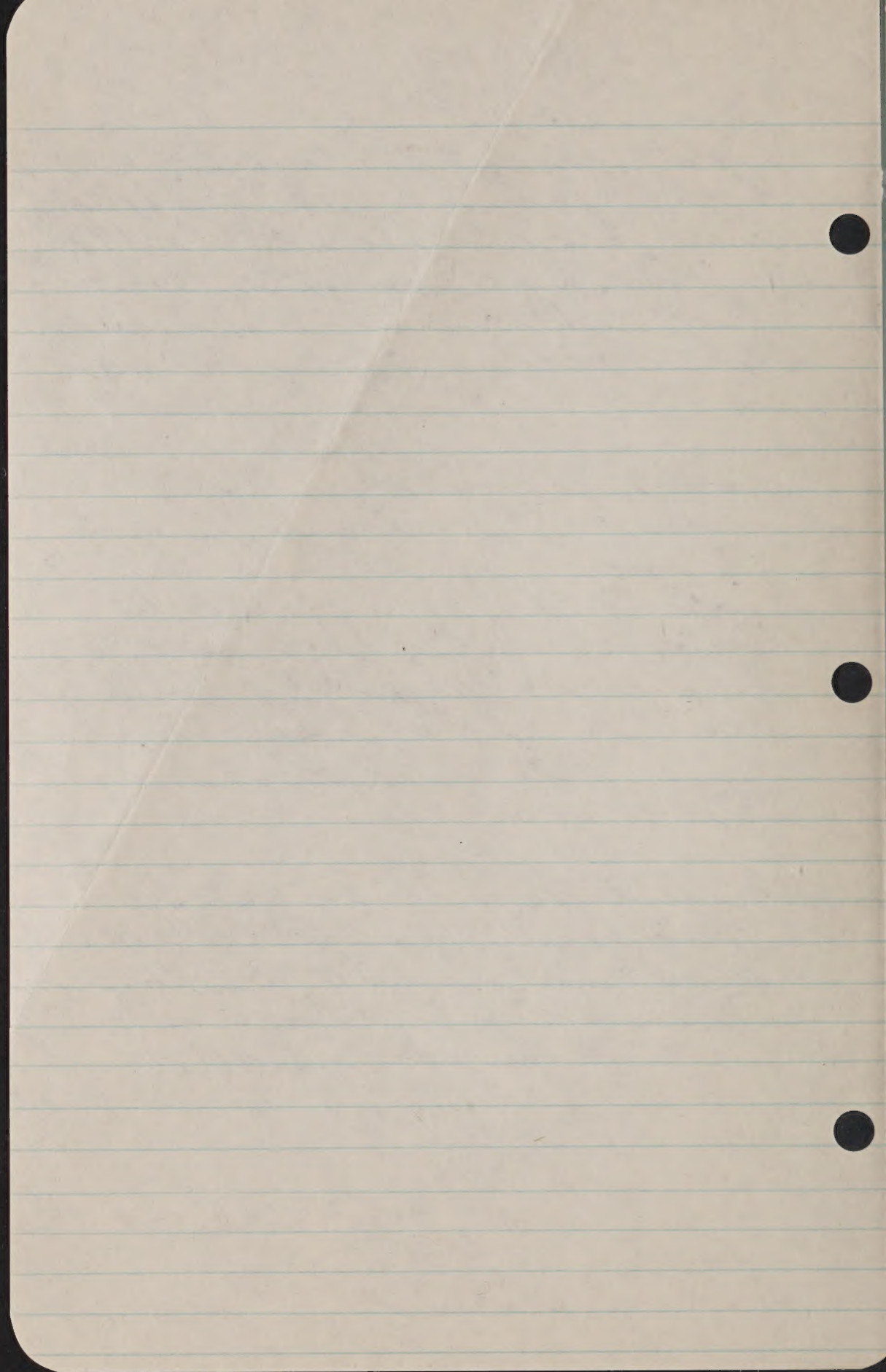


Record of
Instrumental Music -
kind of instruments played
and players from 1772 & 1970
including organists, their
pay and often harmonium
in 1852 and a pipe organ
in 1896

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Letter in the Parish Visitor
of Agnes B. Hopkins - May 31 1966
telling of her experience
through fifty years as
Church Organist - with
mention of the Pastors who
served the Church during
that time

Two thank you notes
pertaining to Agnes Hopkins
retirement party - one by
Marjorie Schofield and one
by the Music Committee



Instrumental Music at the Federated Church of Orleans

Kind of Instrument and Player

- 1771 - 1808 Sometime between these two dates, the first instrument ever used in the Church, was the Bass-viol, to accompany the singers.
- 1852 The Church voted \$150.00 to buy a harmonium, a small reed organ. The player was Helen Higgins who received the sum of \$23.00 a year salary. On April 4, 1896, it was suggested that a pipe organ be purchased, ^{it was} ~~and~~ installed for its first concert on June 16, 1896. Mrs. Henry K. Cummings was the organist.
- 1906-1908 Miss Edna Taylor, at the age of 18, was the organist during these two years. She received a salary of \$1.00 per Sunday.
- 1908 -1910 Olive Eldredge was the organist.
- 1911-1965 Agnes B. Hopkins, at the age of 18, was the organist for the next 54 years. Her sister Mary B. Gould, was the substitute, as needed. Auntie (as we all called her) was a beautiful woman, a true Christian woman. How she ever played the last few years, I will never understand, as her hands were so arthritic and the organ was not that easy to play. Her Faith allowed her to finish those last four years, I'm sure.
- 1952-53 Mrs. Margaret Loomis donated Carillons, in memory of her husband, Lynn, to the Church. They were a joy to all those who heard them.
- 1965 Mr. Theodore Appelbaum was the next organist for one year and nine months.
- 1966 September of this year, Martha Harding, who was the Chairman of the Music Committee, came to my home on Route 28-asked if I would be willing or interested in playing the organ at the Federated Church. I declined, but apparently she didn't give up as she was back in two weeks with the same proposition. My husband urged me to do it. I said I would until a permanent organist was appointed. I stayed $8\frac{1}{2}$ years, then I resigned. Mr. Alfred Peterson was the next organist, but he remained for 2 or three months, at which time I came back again, until they sought another organist.

- 1974 Mrs. Lucy Sigafos was appointed to be the Organist.
She remained for four years when she moved to Florida.
- 1976 Frank Toppa was the Choir Director and thought it
would be nice if we had a Hand-Bell Choir. Two groups,
from out of town and from two different Churches, came
to demonstrate their Hand-Bells. So between money from
Agnes Hopkins and donations from members of the church,
the Bells were ordered-they came in September and Frank
started teaching the players and on Christmas 1976, they
were played for the first time.
They are a beautiful addition to the music of our Church.
After Mrs. Sigafos moved to Florida, Frank Toppa took
over the organ.
- 1977 Frank Toppa was appointed the permanent Organist.
I wish Frank Good Luck and Success and when the organ
has been completely renovated, I hope it will be all
he wishes it to be.

Prepared by
Mrs. Sybil Dickerman, former
organist, now retired, for
presentation on Sept. 29, 1979
D.B. Goodell

Instrumental Music

Minister

Jonathan Bascom
1772 - 1808

Jacob White
1841 - 1860

E. Irving Rackett
1894 - 1906

Howard A. Morton
1906 - 1908

Haig Adadourian
1908 - 1910

Newton J. Jones
1911 - 1914

Foster M. Phillips
1965 - 1969

Edwin R. Carter
1969 - 1970

Raymond T. Jones
1970 -

Kind of instrument + player

"A bass-viol was the first instrument ever used (in this church) to assist singers.

(cf. Barnard - Hist. of Early Orleans)

In 1852 the church voted \$150⁰⁰ to buy a harmonium (a small reed organ).

Helen Higgins played it for an annual salary of \$23⁰⁰.

Suggested a pipe organ on April 4, 1896. Organ purchased and installed in time for its first concert on June 16, 1896.

Mrs. Henry K. Cummings (Theresa) was organist.

Miss Edna Taylor was organist during these two years. She was paid one dollar each Sunday.

Olive Eldredge was organist -

Agnes B. Hopkins (Mrs. Norman C.) for more than fifty years - Her sister, Mary B. Gould (Mrs. Willis) was her substitute as needed.

(see Mrs. Hopkins' letter for details.)

Theodore Appelbaum
Mrs. Sybil Dickerman

Mrs. Lucy Sigafos

Frank Toppe Handbell Choir

Dear friends one and all-

It has been a wonderful experience, which I consider a privilege, to have had association with all the fine Christian people, who have been either members or friends of the church, thru the past fifty years, as Organist.

In 1906-Rev. Howard A. Morton-came as minister-a young but deeply spiritual man, who was the reason for my joining the Congregational Church. His reasons for accepting and serving Christ were so simple but so convincing. His pastorate was of about two years or a little more.

After Rev. Morton, came Rev. Haig Adadourian-a fine Christian. During his stay of about four years-the gown or robe for the minister was adopted.

For a short while Rev. Frank Kasson and Rev. Oliver (both retired) served in the pulpit-until Rev. Newton I. Jones and Mrs. Jones came to occupy the new parsonage, (which is the present one). During Rev. Jones pastorate Norman and I were married and for three years I was absent from the Organ.

Rev. Arnaldo Natino was the next minister and the music took on the revival type and lots of spirit, highly joyous and lots of pageants with music.

Rev. Thor Partington-the next pastor-brought the Evangelistic music-which is very singable and moving. Again many pageants with music.

Rev. Frederick W. Alden (now Dr.) became our pastor. The music and whole church atmosphere became more worshipful. Many of our present members joined during his five years of service.

Rev. Philip A. Job-next-the choir had many new members and changes took place.

Rev. Robert Divine-from Harvard made many admirers with his excellent delivery-and the music became slow and dignified.

Now a period while Rev. Alexander Mac Caulay-a Scotch Presbyterian-retired from the pulpit but supplying when needed helped us.

Next a number of months-without a minister-Mr. Warren Clark, S.S. Supt.-read the Scriptures, offered prayer and at this time a group of younger folks filled the choir. Sunday School was carried on and some of the faithful members much older stood by.

Rev. Paul Wilkinson's pastorate with Mrs. Wilkinson's help brought us beautiful music. At this point-the Federation of churches came into existence.

Rev. Scott Siegle and Rev. Kroum Jordan brought us 17 years of wonderful church life. I believe my love for the Organ increased if that was possible.

Rev. Norman Farnum's fine service, with his keen ear for organ and choir, kept us on our toes.

Next, a pastorate with Rev. James Rogers followed by Rev. Edwin Carter, retired, who brought peace and good will to our music and church. Now for the present-with Rev. Foster Phillips who inspires one whether playing, singing or working to do his best.

There is so much that comes to mind that would perhaps interest-but this is a long retirement "thank you".

My deep appreciation to all who through the years encouraged me to keep on. To my husband for his patience when I was so often at rehearsals. To everyone, for the beautiful engraved silver plate, and gift of money, for the gifts from individuals, the beautiful painting from the Senior Choir, the gifts of music box, May basket and song from the Junior Choir. To the Committees who planned and arranged the Retirement Party which was so lovely.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Agnes B. Hopkins

Just say "thank you"! That was the directive given to me when I asked how best I could express my feelings for a truly wonderful and memorable evening; an evening I will always remember for its warmth, joy and beautiful setting.

To the reception committee, the music committee, the members and friends of the church and to "Auntie" for the privilege of working with her and for sharing a most happy time-a heartfelt and sincere "thank you".

Marjorie R. Schofield

The Music Committee wishes to thank Mrs. Richard I. Mulholland and her committee Mrs. Henry E. Clark, Mrs. Robert E. Dickson and Mrs. Paul B. Edwards and all those who so generously contributed toward making the retirement party of Mrs. Norman C. Hopkins and Mrs. Winford L. Schofield so successful.



Records of the Ladies Benevolent
Association from Feb. 2nd 1854
to Mar. 16 - 1854 & record
of the "Constitution of the
Ladies Aid Society of the
Congregational Ward" Mar. 1885

Memberships Jan 1912

Records of meetings ~~from~~ Jan 1912
and Jan 24 1912

Members Jan 1923

Minutes of an all day meet-
ing on Jan 3rd 1923



①
Copy of two pages of notes
by Rev. Jonathon Bascom
for the years Feb 23, 1779 -
April 9, 1781

②
Baptism records 16 pages
1772 by Rev. Jonathon Bascom

③
Articles of Faith from the
Records of the First Church
in Eastham - 1772

④
Page 1 from the Records
of the First Church in
Eastham by Rev. Bascom
Copy of Title Page
Index of Baptisms
Marriages
Chairs of Church Officers
Persons admitted to
Communion
Confessions
List of Church members
in May 1774
Church Discipline Meetings
Heritage Legacy

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Records of the Church in Orleans
Kept by Manual Johnson
who was ordained May 11, 1800
Index of Church Proceedings
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Discipline
Articles of Faith



Bill of Mortality in the
South Parish of Durham
1772 - 1828 8 pages

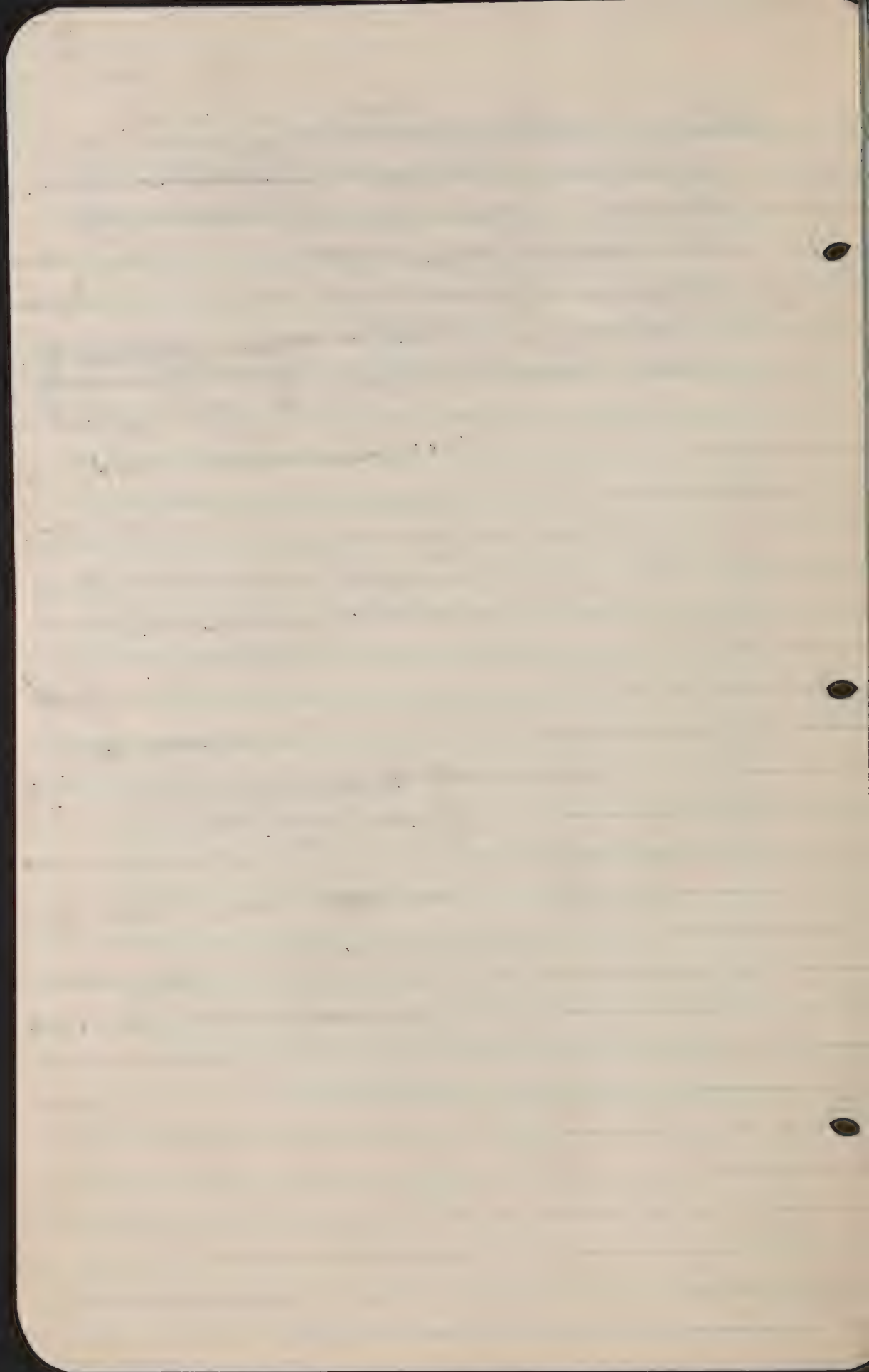
Articles from Yarmouth Register
Feb 2, 1898 P. 1
Description of the Church (dimen-
sions etc) and the Improvements. 23

Order of dedication services
held Jan. 30, 1889 P. 4
including readings report
and text of dedicatory
sermon by Rev. Thomas
Bickford.

7. April 30 1889 Yarmouth Register
Reports on Temperance
meeting.

8. Feb 2 1889 Yarmouth Register P. 5
Accounts of evening reception
in parlour & vestry for Social
Meeting of members and
members of neighbouring churches
& farm town residents.
A service in the auditorium
for service of praise and
impromptu speeches on various
topics connected with Church & History
(over)

Those participating
 Thomas Weare of Charlestown
 Russell & Johnson of Cambridge
 Alex. Jonathan Higgins
 David L. Young
 Hiram Meyer
 Rev. Thomas Beckford (Chapman) (meeting)



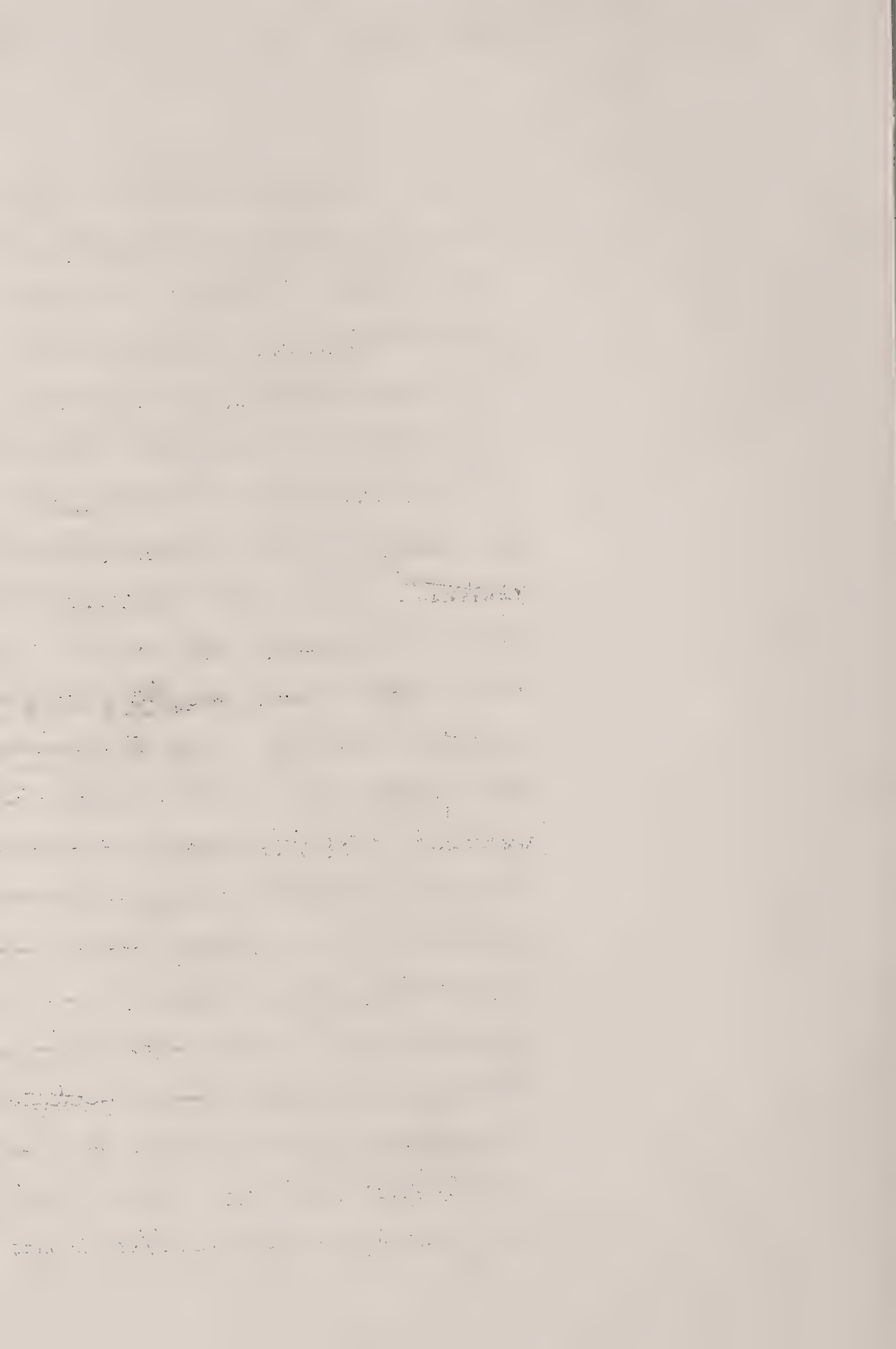
OrleansDedicated Wed. Jan. 30,
at 10 o'clock

Congregational Church of Orleans —

The Congregational Church building of Orleans, which has recently been remodelled was originally built in 1829. Its outside dimensions were 41×68 with posts about 18 feet high and a roof of low pitch, which together with double rows of numerous windows, gave the building an appearance reminding one more of a factory than a church. It was built of the best of stock and of heavy timbers and all apparently in as good condition as when first put together. The roof had not been renewed and was perfectly tight and in good condition. Inside it contained but a single room with a gallery on three sides and short narrow entries from the doors. It was remodeled by raising the pitch of the roof about six feet, diminishing the number of windows and flooring it over on a level with the gallery floor. The belfry was also raised about 6 feet, and in order to light the auditorium on the upper floor, three dormer windows were placed in the roof on each side. The lower story is divided into a lobby 16×40 feet, a vestry 32×40 ,

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a parlor 16×26 , a kitchen 14×16 . The second floor consists of a lobby 16×40 and an auditorium 40×50 . This room is neatly frescoed and is finished to the peak of the roof, which is supported by exposed trusses of hard pine. It is considered by all who have seen it a handsome and comfortable room, well adapted to the uses for which it is intended. It has seating capacity for 300, but can comfortably accommodate 400 in case of necessity. The contract for carpenter work, plastering, painting and furnishing all the required material was taken by Harmer & Jenkins, for the sum of \$3,575.00. The building committee was extremely fortunate in securing such reliable & faithful contractors. Everything was done in a satisfactory & workman-like manner according to the spirit of the contract. The ^{mason} work was done by Mr. Paine of Harwich and the painting by Benjamin Buck, Harwich. The frescoing was subsequently contracted for by Mr. Buck which was tastefully & well done and has greatly improved the appearance of the building. The entire expense



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for building & furnishing has been \$4,327.25 to which should be added \$60 paid for plans of building three years ago to S. N. Small, architect. The total receipts are \$4,397.50, leaving a balance of \$70.29 in the treasury. Subscriptions amounting to \$220. are pledged to be paid in annual installments for four years, the greater part of which will be paid and can be used for improvements, which from a sense of economy, the committee did not include in their contract. The sum pledged when the vote was taken to remodel the church was less than \$2000. The society is not a wealthy one and the work was undertaken with the prospect of incurring a large debt. From friends who were chiefly natives and former residents of the town, there was received the sum of \$1042. The sum of \$351.71 was raised mostly from friends abroad by letters soliciting small sums. It is the help obtained from these sources that has placed the society in its prosperous financial condition."

(Then general statements of gratitude to all & sundry "united efforts & good will of all who have contributed to its success.")

"A list of the contributors and the sums... is preserved by the Treasurer of the Society & is open to inspection..."

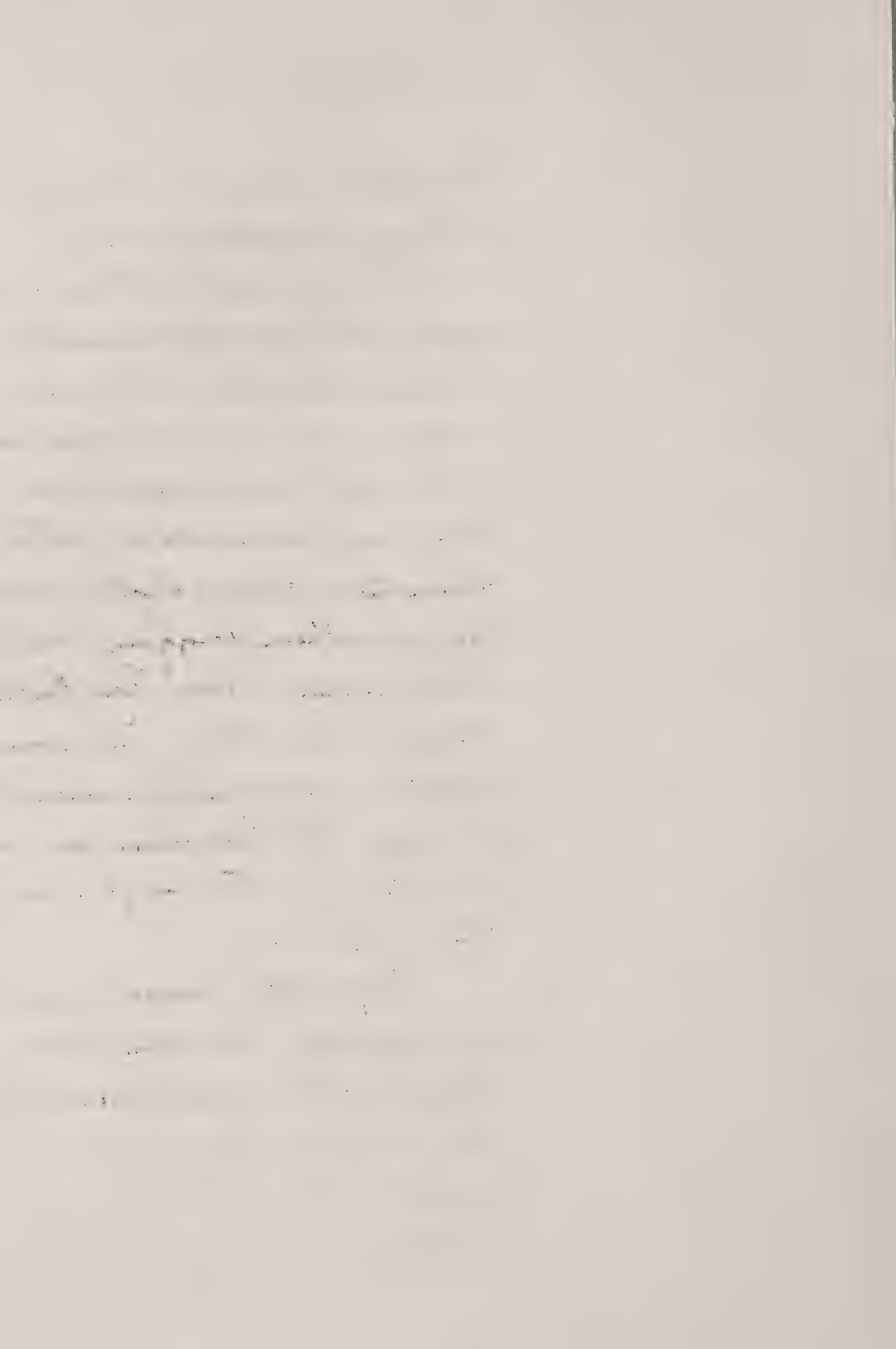
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Dedication service - (on Wednesday, Jan. 30, 1889 1 p.m.)

1. Organ Voluntary
2. Invocation, Rev. Mr. Hood
3. Anthem "Except the Lord Build the House" - choir
4. Reading the scriptures, Rev. J. S. Gay
5. Hymn "Sing to the Lord with Heart & Voice"
6. History of the church by Jonathan Higgins
7. Report of Building Committee, D. L. Young, Chairman
8. Prayer of Dedication, Rev. D. W. Clark
9. Hymn: How Charming is the Place choir & Congregation -
10. Sermon: Rev. Thomas Bickford
11. Prayer Rev. H. P. Cutting
12. Hymn "Arise, O King of Grace, Arise" choir & congregation
13. Anthem: "O, Give Thanks" - choir
14. Doxology - "Praise God" congregation -

The weather was favorable and the house was well filled, many friends

The text of the dedicatory sermon is found in First Kings, 8 chapter, 27 verse*, the one preached from by the Rev. John Turner, at the former dedication in 1829. . . . (Sermon ok too)
* (see over for verse)



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A reception was held in the evening - ... first part spent in the parlor & vestry in social conversation & meeting of friends - (out of town former residents, people from neighboring churches etc. etc. etc.)

Afterwards the company gathered in the auditorium in a service of praise & in making impromptu speeches on various topics connected with the church & its history.

These were participated in by Thomas Doane of Charlestown, Russell & John Snow of Cambridge, Dea. Jonathan Higgins, David L. Young, Hiram Myers & Rev. Thos. Bickford who had charge of the meeting. The evening was one of profit and pleasure. The exercises closed with the singing of Auld Lang Syne and with the benediction.

— Mr. Chas. F. Swift & wife were in town to attend the dedication.

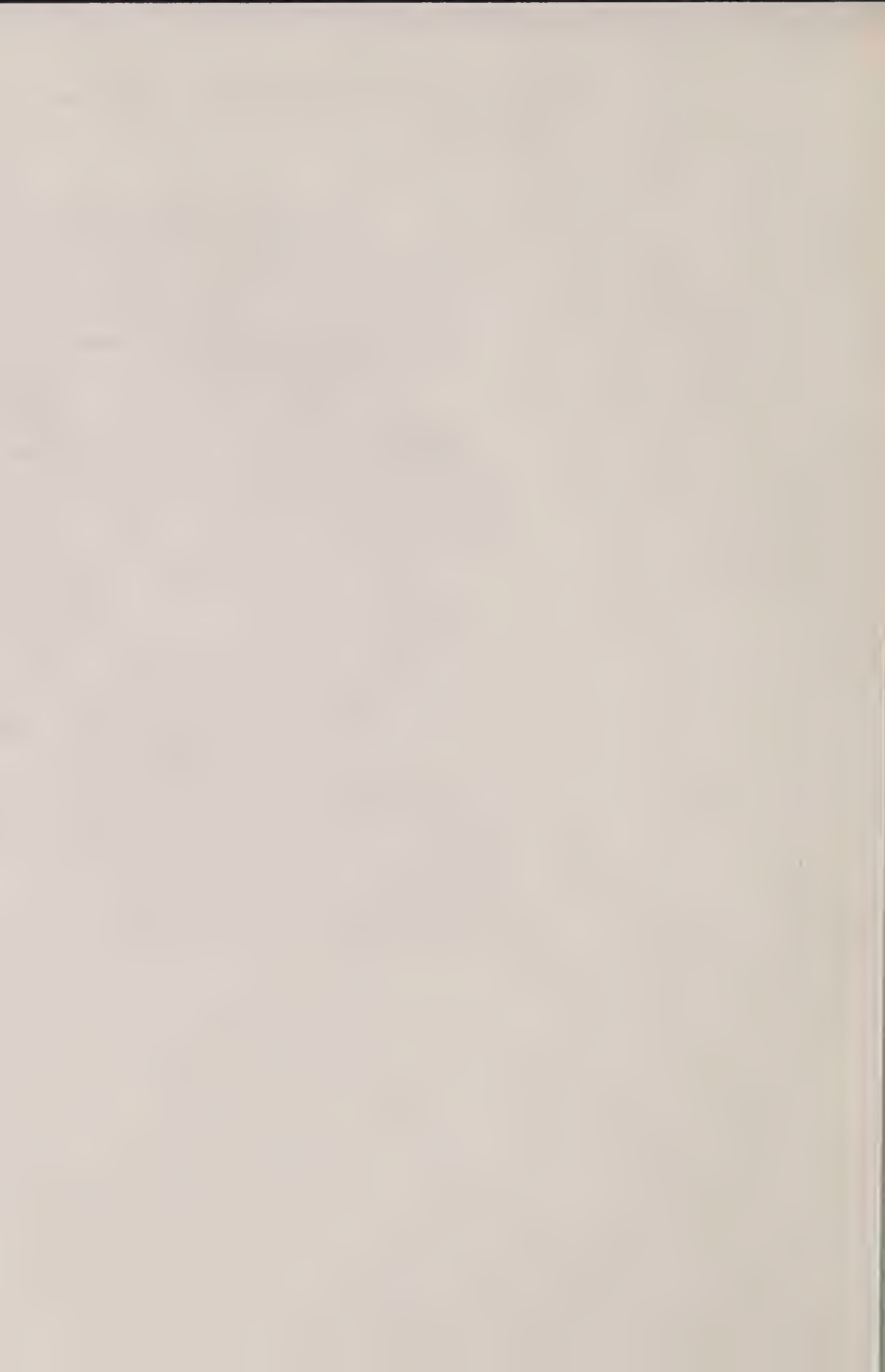
— Capt. Lot Higgins presented the church with its lamps. The wish of his many friends is that he may have many years to enjoy them. "

April 20, 1889 - Yarmouth Register - Orleans
Column

Several Temperance meetings
Rev. H. W. Conant, the 10th in Town Hall - . . .
re: Prohibitory Amendment

"Last Sunday night a union service was
held in the Congregational church, Deacon Higgins
presided. The singing was by the three church choirs
+ the addresses were by Rev. Messrs. Fraser (univ. minister)
and Norris" . . . another meeting will be held
in the Cong. church next Sunday -

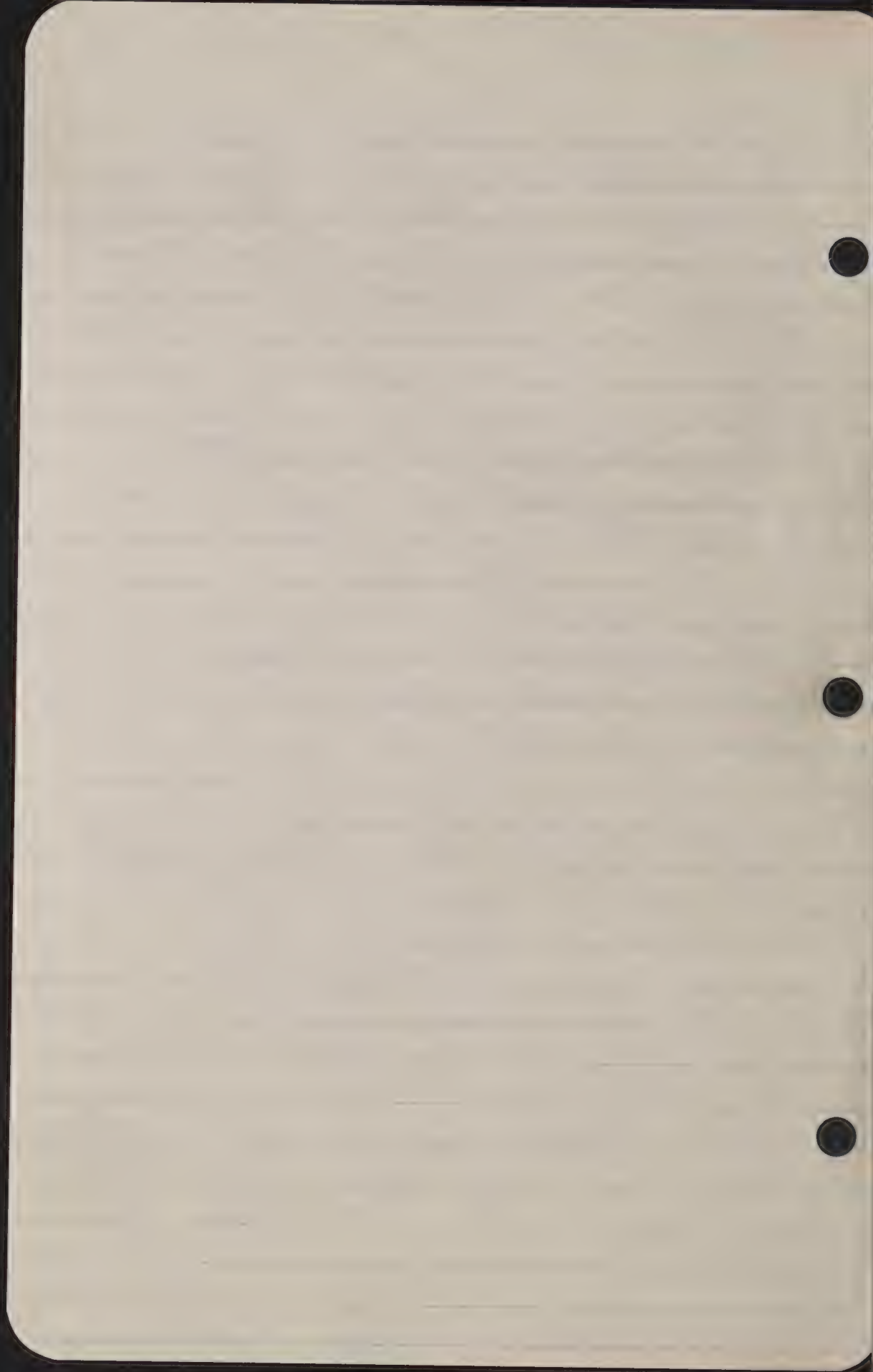
"Monday, April 22, Rev. A. A. Miner, D. D., of Boston,
will lecture in Town Hall, on the prohibitory amendment,
to commence at 12⁴⁵. The public are cordially invited to
attend all these meetings."



The original Manuscript

"A brief History of the
Episcopal Church in
what is now called Orleans"
a talk given by Deacon
Jonathan Higgins Jan 30
1889 at the dedication of the
remodeled building.
Apparently given to
Theresa A. Commaeys -
perhaps because she was
the organist at that time.

The original and the
transcription are the
gift of Harathy and Milton
Shaw in 1979



Gift of Dorothy and Milton Shaw

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Sept. 1979

Thomas A. Cummings

A Brief History of the First
Congregational Church, in
What is now called, Plains

In 1644 the Colonial Church
which had for several years
existed in the town of Plymouth
contemplating a removal to
some more favorable lo-
cation, appointed a Committee
from their body to explore the
adjacent regions, and see if they could
find some better place, whither
they could remove as a body.

That Committee visited a
place called by the natives
Nanset. Having purchased
the same ^{of the natives} ~~of the natives~~ they
returned back to Plymouth.

and reported their doings.

But after due consideration of the matter they abandoned the project, as a Church Organization, ~~but~~ and decided to remain where they were for a while longer at least.

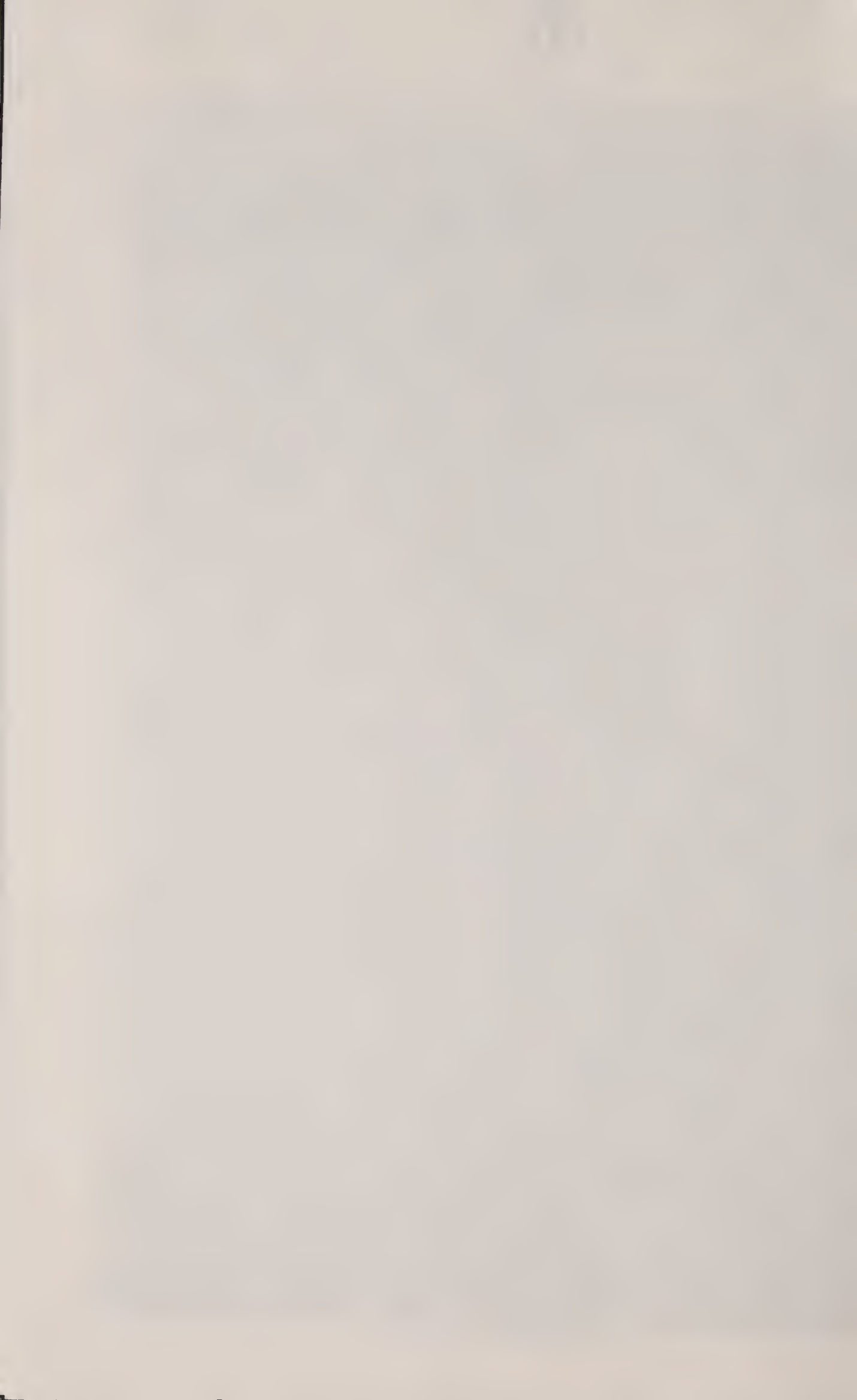
A portion however of that Committee being desirous of changing their place of abode decided to remove with their families to Hanset, and having obtained from the Colony the title to the territory which they had previously obtained from the ~~native~~ Indians - ^{over} ~~they~~ seven families, came ~~to~~ from Plymouth, and located in this vicinity, more properly known as Eastham in the year 1644.

Commencing a settlement
 at that time and with such
 accessions as very readily
 came to them, in 1646 ^{they} were
 incorporated as a town, by
 the name of Transit, which in
 a few months they changed
 to Eastham, ~~and~~ ⁱⁿ the same
 year this Church now the first
 Congregational Church in Oldham
 was organized - Being five
 in number and financially
 unable to support a regularly
 settled ^{minister}, they obtained such
 religious teachers as best they
 could - for the first twenty five
 years or more. They very soon
 built them a small meeting
 house twenty feet square with
 a thatched roof ~~and~~ with holes

in the sides, through which they might fire their muskets in case of any attack from the Indians, by whom they were surrounded. This building was located on the north margin of the town Cove so called.

The Rev. John Mayo ~~was~~ came to Eastham at this time and took the immediate charge of the Ch. as their religious teacher and continued ^{minister} as their pastor from its organization till the year 1655. - From which time Mr. Thomas Crosby was employed by the Ch. to carry on the Public Services of the Lords day till 1670.

In 1672 they gave the Rev. Samuel Treat a regular call



to settle among them as their Pastor which he accepted and was ordained to the Gospel Ministry.

He continued in the Ministry until his death, Mar. 18, 1917. a term of forty five years.

After his death, the Church was supplied with a few Candidates, for about a year, when the Rev. Samuel Osborn a graduate of the University of Dublin was ordained Sept 18, 1878

About this time it was decided to build two meeting houses one for the North ^{part} ~~part~~ and one for the South ^{part} ~~part~~, ^{of the town}

After considering different several localities, they decided to build a meeting house on the

in 1719.
 That, and the main branch
 of the Church, together with their
 Pastor the Rev. Mr. Osborn oc-
 cupied the new Meeting house.
 Mr. Osborn continued his
 Ministry with this part of
 the original Church for until
 sometime in 1738 when he
 was dismissed and the Rev.
 Joseph Crocker of Barnstable
 was called and ordained
 as their Pastor, September 12, 1739,
 and continued his labors until
 his death, Mar. 2, 1772 in the 58th
 year of his age and the 33 of his
 Ministry. Mr Crocker was very
 soon succeeded by the Rev. John
 than Bascom who was ordained
 as Pastor Oct. 14, 1772. The
 first Records of this Church formed

were commenced by him.
 And headed "Records of the
 first Church in Eastern Oregon
 Oct. A.D. 1872, settling beyond
 question that this was considered
 at that time (to say the least) the 1st
 Ch. and that the Middle ^{or north} Church
 was the branch - He also refers
 to other records, existing at that
 time but which have never
 been found to this day. Mr. B.
 died in 1807 aged 67 having la-
 bored here in word and doc-
 trine thirty five years. Very
 soon after Mr. Bascom's death
 the Rev. Daniel Johnson was
 invited to preach to them and
 was unanimously called to settle
 with them as the Pastor and
 was ordained as such Nov.

11 1808, a native of Bridgewater in this State and graduate of Brown University. He continued to be the Pastor of the Ch. for 20 years when he was dismissed at his own request. After his dismission of the Ch. was supplied by ^{the} Rev. John Inman, who in the course of his ministry was particularly instrumental in interesting the people of this Church and Society in building a new house of worship having occupied the former for one hundred and eleven years.

On ~~the~~ records of this Ch. (in ~~the~~ ^{the} fine) Book 1st Page 306, is found the following Memorandum viz 1829 June 29th. "This being an important epoch in the history of this Chh it should be recorded

to the praise of God that he has ~~been~~
 inclined the hearts of this people to build
 an house for God and with great
 unanimity in their Councils and
 proceedings, ~~have accomplished~~
~~this important undertaking.~~
 The old house which had stood
 one hundred and eleven years,
 was taken down and the new one
 was raised on the 16th of July 1829
 and was finished on the 18th of
 November and dedicated to the
 Second Society - * on the 29th of June (1829)
 the materials for building being already
 the workmen began to frame the build-
 ing, and having all things ready to put
 up the new house, on the 13th of July 1829
 by the united exertions of the Society
 our old house of worship was taken
 down (without any injury to any one or

any one ~~getting~~^{being} hurt and removed
 from off the ground, and on the 16th (same
 week) the new house was raised on
 the same spot with out the least harm
 to any one and without the use of any
 addunt spirits, being hoisted in, on
 July 19. We held worship in the new
 house and continued to worship there
 (except on Sabbath, until the house was
 finished - On the 18. of November 1829
 our spacious and commodious ^{house} Mat-
 iny, was dedicated to the Sacred Trinity
 and may he dwell there by His Spirit,
 The text selected by Mr. J. J. as
 a basis of his first sermon in the
 then new house, was 1st Kings. 8th. 27th
 "Behold the Heaven ^{and heave} of Heavens cannot
 contain thee how much less this
^{house} which I have builded - And the
 same text was ^{the} foundation of the ded-
 icatory sermon at its dedication

The Rev. From 1830 to 1835 the Ch.
 was supplied with different Minis-
 ters when the Rev Stillman Pratt
 in April 1835 was ^{called and} settled as their
 Pastor, ^{who} after a successful pas-
 torate, was dismissed April 23 1839,
 after about two years, the Rev Jacob
 White commenced his labors with
 them, and continued as acting
 pastor with great unanimity
 and success, for about 20
 years. Since which time till about
~~three years ago~~ ^{years} they have been favored
 with a faithful and success-
 ful Ministry.

by the following - Rev. C. M. Whitford
 2! M. Wright; ^{2 years} Rev. Charles E. Hammond
 10 years - Rev. George W. Andrews, Rev.
 H. M. Holmes, ^{3 years} and J. Bick
 ford to Dec 31, 1888 -

*
 But I think I have some one day
 we don't ^{care} who preached, but tell us
what they preached - ~~Thank you~~
 I feel very glad to do so -

I presume there can be no
 doubt in the minds of any at
 all familiar with the religious
 history of our forefathers, but

that the churches organized
 so near the time of the ^{establishment}
 ment of the ^{Confession of Faith} ~~Churches~~
 who had just fled to these shores
 for the very purpose that they
 might find a home of freedom to
 worship God according to their
 own ~~Calvinistic~~ ^{Biblical} ~~Orthodox~~ ideas. Were any
 other than "Orthodox," ~~as early~~
 But we are not to ^{left} ~~more~~ con-
 jecture on this point, for as
 early as 1656 we find the fol-
 lowing, "The General Court ~~ad-
 dressed~~ the for in Session that
 year addressed the following
 Advice or instruction to the
 Govrs. of the Colonies, reminding
 them of, and referring them to
 the solemn Covenants, and prom-
 ises, the United Colonies ~~Article~~

Made one with another not
 only to strengthen the hearts
 and hands of each other in
 the propagation of Religion
 in its purity, to which the Comtee
 replied, "We cannot without
 breach of Chantry take it for
 a thing granted generally by
 the inhabitants of the United
 Colonies, that an Able and
Orthodox Ministry, is a nec-
 essary fruit of Christ's death,
 Resurrection, and Ascension
 and necessary for the spiritual
 good of his people, and to be
 duly sought after in every So-
 ciety, or Township, within the
 general jurisdiction. - At a
 July 9th 1718 ^{in town meeting} It was voted

that the town take care to set
 to a minister, "Ohle Amel
 O'tho day."

The Biographer of the Rev. Samuel
 Treat who was the Pastor of this
 Church from 1672, to 1717 de-
 scribes him as a man of much
 kindness of heart, but as a
 Calvinist of the strictest sect.

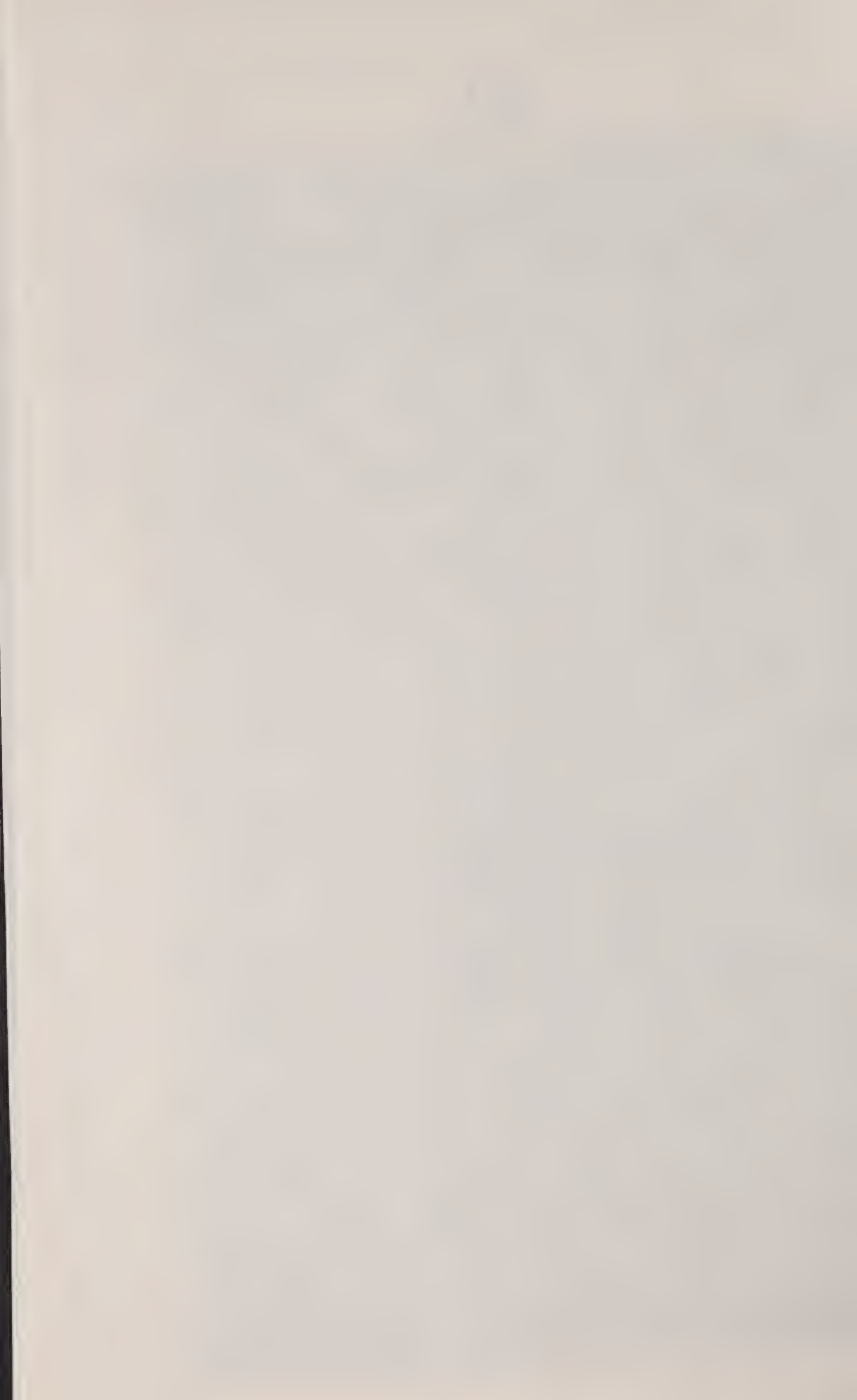
~~If any of you have any doubt
 on this point I would refer you
 to extracts of his sermons formerly
 published in Bayley's History
 of New Plymouth, Part 2^d, pages
 222, 223 - He was a man of
 talent and was eminently suc-
 cessful in the conversion of
 the Indians, so much so that
 in 1685 the praying Indians men
 and women, within the limits of~~



his parish ^{numbered} ~~500~~ 500 and the
Children were supposed to be
thrice that number.

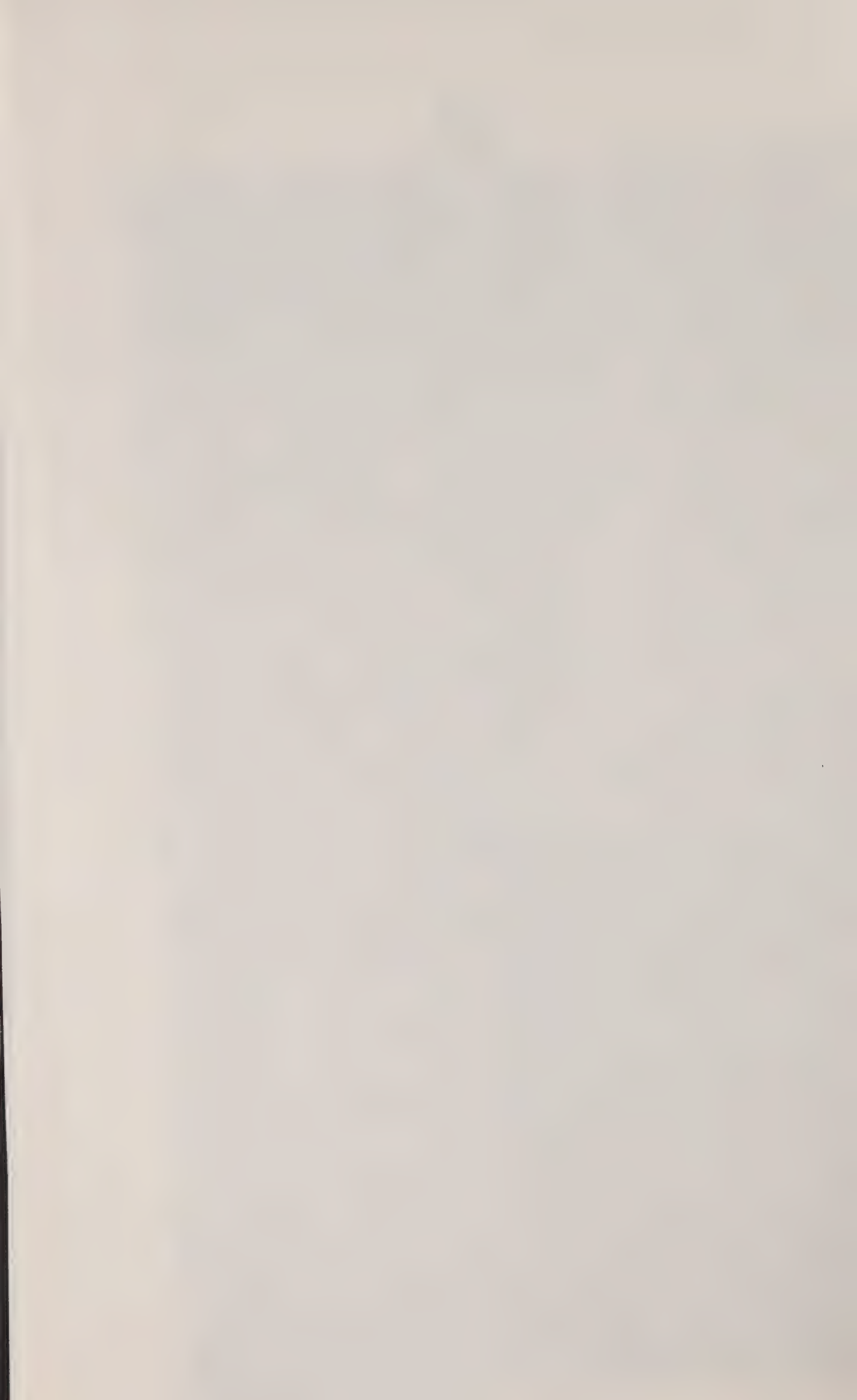
The Rev. Samuel Osborn
a man of ^{wisdom and virtue} ~~wisdom and virtue~~
was settled as Orthodox but
after awhile embraced the faith
of Arminius while the church
retained the faith of Calvin,
and in consequence thought
proper to dismiss him.

^{the old} In 1750 ~~the year after~~
~~about this time~~ the town built
a new house for the Middle
Church and they at once took
measures to obtain a candidate
for settlement with them and a
Committee was appointed to seek
for some suitable person who
should be Orthodox and of good
consecration.



Rev Joseph Crocker who settled over this Church in 1739. Was born in Barnstable, graduated at Harvard College in 1734, was a strict Calvinist a man of prudence, and faithful as a minister.

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~~to have been~~ But that is not
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 at his home in Fairport N.Y.
 in 1861 when he told me that
 he was about six months after
 his settlement, he commenced
 preaching the doctrine of open
 terms and faith as the con-
 dition of salvation, resulting
 in many extensive revivals.

He baptised 525 persons and
 admitted 156 members to the
 Chh. - Dedicated 244 Monies

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renewed and quickened effort
 to accomplish, what had been
 a great want— better facilities
 for conducting their religious
 worship, and Christian ser-
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 has been so richly rewarded
 that today, we are able to con-
 vene ourselves together, and here
 in this public manner, and
 in the presence of, and by the
 aid, of this congregation, and
 of our many friends not here,
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 Holy Ghost, and with the conti-
 nued prayer, that the Prince God
 may dwell here by His Spirit.

A Brief History of the First Congregational Church , in What is now called, Orleans. *Written by Deacon Jonathan Higgins and given by him at the January 30, 1889 dedication service.*

In 1644 the Colonial Church which had for several years existed in the town of Plymouth, contemplating a removal to some more favorable location, appointed a Committee from their body to explore the adjoining regions, and see if they could find some better place where they could remove as a body.

That Committee visited a place called by the natives, Nauset. Having purchased the same of the Indians, they returned back to Plymouth and reported their doings.

But after due consideration of the Matter they abandoned the project, as a Church organization, and decided to remain where they were for a while longer, at least.

A portion, however, of that Committee being desirous of changing their place of abode decided to remove with their families to Nauset, and having obtained from the Colony the title to the territory which they had previously obtained from the Indians - Seven families, came over from Plymouth, and located in this vicinity, more properly now Eastham, in the year 1644. Commencing a Settlement at that time and with such accession as very readily came to them. In 1646 they were incorporated as a town, by the name of Nauset, Which in a few months they changed to Eastham. In the same year this Church, now the first Congregational Church in Orleans was organized - Being few in number and financially unable to support a regularly settled ministry, they obtained such religious teachers as best they could for the first twenty five years or more. They very soon built them a small meeting house twenty feet square with a thatched roof with holes in the sides, through which they might fire their muskets in case of any attack from the Indians by whom they were surrounded. This building was located on the north Margin of the town Cove, so called.

The Rev. John Mayo came to Eastham at this time and took the immediate charge of the Church as their religious teacher and continued as their Minister from its organization till the year 1655. From which time Mr. Thomas Crosby was employed by the Church to carry on the Public services of the Lord's Day til 1670.

In 1672 they gave the Rev. Samuel Treat a regular call to settle among them as their Pastor which he accepted and was ordained to the Gospel Ministry.

He continued in the ministry until his death March 18, 1717, a term of forty five years.

After his death, the Church was supplied with a few candidates, for about a year, when the Rev. Samuel Osborn, a graduate of the University of Dublin was ordained Sept. 18, 1718. About this time it was decided to build two meeting houses, one for the North part and one for the South part of the town. After considering different several localities, they decided to build a Meeting house on the spot, in 1719, and the main branch of the Church, together with their Pastor, the Rev. Mr. Osborn occupied the

new meeting house.

Mr. Osborne continued his ministry with this part of the original Church until sometime in 1738 when he was dismissed and the Rev. Joseph Crocker of Barnstable was called and ordained as their Pastor, September 12, 1739, and continued his labors until his death, March 2, 1772 in the 58th year of his age and the 33rd of his ministry. Mr. Crocker was very soon succeeded by the Rev. Jonathan Bascom, who was ordained as Pastor Oct. 14, 1772. The first Records of this Church to be found were commenced by him and headed "Records of the first Church in Eastham begun Oct. A. D. 1772, settling beyond question that this was considered at that time (to say the least) the first Church, and that the middle or North Church was the branch - He also refers to other records, existing at that time but which have never been found to this day. Mr. Bascom died in 1807 aged 67 having ^{labored} here in Word and Doctrin thirty five years. Very soon after Mr. Bascom's death the Rev. Daniel Johnson was invited to preach to them and was unanimously called to settle with them as their Pastor, and was ordained as such March 11, 1808, a Native of Bridgewater in this state and a graduate of Brown University. He continued to be the Pastor of the Church for 20 years, when he was dismissed at his own request. After his dismissal the Church was supplied by Rev. John Turner, who in the course of his ministry was particularly instrumental in interesting the people of this Church and Society in building a new house of Worship having occupied the former for one hundred and eleven years.

On the records of this Church Book 1st, Page 306 is found the following Memorandum 1829 June 29. "This being an important epoch in the history of this Church, it should be recorded to the praise of God that he has inclined the hearts of this people to build an house for God and with Great unanimity in their Counsils and proceedings.

On the 29th of June 1829, the materials for building being already, the workmen began to frame the building, and having all things ready to put up the new house, on the 13th of July 1829 by the united exertions of the society our old house of worship was taken down (without any injury to any one, or any one being hurt) and removed from off the ground, and on the 16th (same week) the new house was raised on the same spot with out the least harm to any one and without the use of any ardent Spirits. Being boarded in, on July 19, we held worship in the new house and continued to worship there (except one Sabbath, until the house was finished. On the 18 of November 1829 our spacious and commodious meeting house was dedicated to the Sacred Ministry and may he dwell there by His Spirit.

The text selected by Mr. Turner as a basis of his first sermon in the new house, was 1st Kings, 8th-27verse "Behold the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded?" And this same text was the foundation of his Dedicatory sermon at its dedication.

From 1830 to 1835 the Church was supplied with different Ministers, when the Rev. Stillman Pratt in April 1835 was called and settled as the Pastor, when after a successful pastorate, was dismissed, April 23, 1839.

After about two years, the Rev. Jacob White commenced his labors with them, and continued as acting pastor with great unanimity and success, for about 20 years. Since which time they have been favored with a faithful and successful ministry by the following - Rev. D. W. White, J. M. Wight, Rev. Charles E. Harwood 10 years, Rev. George W. Andrews, Rev. H. M. Holmes, 13 years, and T. Bickford to Dec. 31, 1888.

But we think I hear some one day we don't care who preached, but tell us what they preached - I feel very glad to do so - I presume there can be no doubt in the minds of any at all familiar with the Religious history of our forefathers, but that the churches organized so near the time of the establishment of the "Confessions of Faith" of the Puritans who had just fled to these shores for the very purpose that they might find a home of freedom to worship God according to their own Biblical ideas were any other than "orthodox", but we are not left to mere conjecture on this point for as early as 1656 we find the following "The General Court in session that year addressed the following Advice or instruction, to the Commissioners of the Colonies, reminding them of, and referring them to the solemn covenant*, and promises, the United Colonies, Made one with another - not only to strengthen the hearts and hands of each other in the propagation of religion in its purity, to which the Commissioners replied, "We cannot without breach of charity take it for a thing granted generally by the inhabitants of the United Colonies, that an able and orthodox ministry, is a precious fruit of Christ's death, Resurrection, and ascension and necessary for the spiritual good of his people, and to be duly sought after in every society, or township, within the general jurisdiction -, Again, July 7, 1718 - In town meeting - it was voted that the town take care to settle a minister, "Able and orthodox."

The biographer

Mr. _____, nephew of the Rev. Samuel Treat who was the Pastor of this Church from 1672 to 1717 represents him as a man of much kindness of heart, but as a Calvinist of the straitest Sect. "If any of you have any doubt on this point, I would refer you to extracts of his sermon, found published in Bayley's History of Plymouth, Part 2, page 222, 223." He was a man of talent and was eminently successful in the conversion of the Indians, so much so that in 1685 the praying Indians, men and women, within the limits of this parish numbered 500 and the children here supposed to be thrice that number.

The Rev. Samuel Osborn is a man of vision and virtue, was settled as Orthodox but after a while embraced the faith of Arminius, while the church retained the faith of Calvin, and in consequence thought proper to dismiss him.

In 1720 the town built a new house for the middle church and they at once took measures to obtain a candidate for settlement with them and a committee was appointed to seek for some suitable person who should be orthodox and of good conversation.

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* Refers to the Articles of Confederation between the New England Colonies which began in 1643 and lasted until 1686, "when the charters of all the colonies were, in effect, vacated by a commission from King James II. pp. 169-170, Annals of Barnstable County Chapter IX in Frederick Freeman's History of Cape Cod

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Dorothy (Mrs. Milton) Shaw transcribed
Deacon Jonathan Higgins' manuscript of
his talk on church history, given on
January 30, 1889 at the dedication of the
remodelled building.

Apparently the manuscript was given
to Theresa (Mrs. H. K.) Cummings, perhaps
because she was the organist then.

D.S. Goodell
Sept. 1979

Newspaper Account of 1889 Dedication of remodelled church.

Yarmouth Register February 2, 1889 (p. 1)

Dedicated Wed. Jan. 30,
at 10 o'clock.

Orleans

Congregational Church of Orleans —

The Congregational Church building of Orleans, which has recently been remodelled was originally built in 1829. Its outside dimensions were 41×68 with posts about 18 feet high and a roof of low pitch, which together with double rows of numerous windows, gave the building an appearance reminding one more of a factory than a church. It was built of the best of stock and of heavy timbers and all apparently in as good condition as when first put together. The roof had not been renewed and was perfectly tight and in good condition. Inside it contained but a single room with a gallery on three sides and short narrow entries from the doors. It was remodeled by raising the pitch of the roof about six feet, diminishing the number of windows and flooring it over on a level with the gallery floor. The belfry was also raised about 6 feet, and in order to light the auditorium on the upper floor, three dormer windows were placed in the roof on each side. The lower story is divided into a lobby 16×40 feet, a vestry 32×40 ,

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a parlor 16×26 , a kitchen 14×16 . The second floor consists of a lobby 16×40 and an auditorium 40×50 . This room is neatly frescoed and is finished to the peak of the roof, which is supported by exposed trusses of hard pine. It is considered by all who have seen it a handsome and comfortable room, well adapted to the uses for which it is intended. It has seating capacity for 300, but can comfortably accommodate 400 in case of necessity. The contract for carpenter work, plastering, painting and furnishing all the required material was taken by Hamer & Jenkins, for the sum of \$3,575.00. The building committee was extremely fortunate in securing such reliable & faithful contractors. Everything was done in a satisfactory & workman-like manner according to the spirit of the contract. The ^{mason} work was done by Mr. Paine of Harwich and the painting by Benjamin Buck, Harwich. The frescoing was subsequently contracted for by Mr. Buck which was tastefully & well done and has greatly improved the appearance of the building. The entire expense

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for building & furnishing has been \$4,327.28 to which should be added \$60 paid for plans of building three years ago to S. N. Small, architect. The total receipts are \$4,397.50, leaving a balance of \$70.29 in the treasury. Subscriptions amounting to \$220. are pledged to be paid in annual installments for four years, the greater part of which will be paid and can be used for improvements, which from a sense of economy, the committee did not include in their contract. The sum pledged when the vote was taken to remodel the church was less than \$2000. The society is not a wealthy one and the work was undertaken with the prospect of incurring a large debt. From friends who were chiefly natives and former residents of the town, there was received the sum of \$1042. The sum of \$351.71 was raised mostly from friends abroad by letters soliciting small sums. It is the help obtained from these sources that has placed the society in its prosperous financial condition."

(Then general statements of gratitude to all & sundry "united efforts & good will of all who have contributed to its success.")

"A list of the contributors and the sums... is preserved by the Treasurer of the Society & is open to inspection..."

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Dedication service - (on Wednesday, Jan. 30, 1889 1 p.m.)

1. Organ Voluntary
2. Invocation, Rev. Mr. Hood
3. Anthem "Except the Lord Build the House" - choir
4. Reading the scriptures, Rev. J. S. Gay
5. Hymn "Sing to the Lord with Heart & Voice"
6. History of the church by Jonathan Higgins
7. Report of Building Committee, D. L. Young, Chairman
8. Prayer of Dedication, Rev. D. W. Clark
9. Hymn: How Charming is the Place choir & Congregation -
10. Sermon: Rev. Thomas Bickford
11. Prayer Rev. H. P. Cutting
12. Hymn "Arise, O King of Grace, Arise" choir & congregation
13. Anthem: "O, Give Thanks" - choir
14. Doxology - "Praise God" congregation -

The weather was favorable and the house was well filled, many friends

The text of the dedicatory sermon is found in First Kings, 8 chapter, 27 verse*, the one preached from by the Rev. John Turner, at the former dedication in 1829. . . . (Sermon ok too)

* (see over for verse)

I Kings 8:27

"But will God indeed dwell
on the earth? Behold heaven and
the highest heaven cannot contain
thee; how much less this house
which I have built!"

Solomon's Prayer of Dedication
RSV

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A reception was held in the evening... first part spent in the parlor + vestry in social conversation + meeting of friends - (out of town former residents, people from neighboring churches etc. etc. etc.)

Afterwards the company gathered in the auditorium in a service of praise + in making impromptu speeches on various topics connected with the church + its history.

These were participated in by Thomas Deane of Charlestown, Russell + John Snow of Cambridge, Dea. Jonathan Higgins, David L. Young, Hiram Myers + Rev. Thos. Bickford who had charge of the meeting. The evening was one of profit and pleasure. The exercises closed with the singing of Auld Lang Syne and with the benediction.

— Mr. Chas. F. Swift + wife were in town to attend the dedication.

— Capt. Lot Higgins presented the church with its lamps. The wish of his many friends is that he may have many years to enjoy them. "

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April 20, 1889 - Yarmouth Register - Orleans
Column

Several Temperance meetings
Rev. H. W. Conant, the 10th in Town Hall - . . .
re: Prohibitory Amendment

"Last Sunday night a union service was
held in the Congregational church, Deacon Higgins
presided. The singing was by the three church choirs
& the addresses were by Rev. Messrs. Fraser (^{univ.} minister)
and Norris" . . . another meeting will be held
in the Cong. church next Sunday -

"Monday, April 22, Rev. A. A. Miner, D. D., of Boston,
will lecture in Town Hall, on the prohibitory amendment,
to commence at 12⁴⁵. The public are cordially invited to
attend all these meetings."

The Congregational Treasurers Acct
Book from Jan'y. 1. 1870 to 1895.

91 Valerius Long Shewys

Dr General Expense Account Cr

1879				
Mod 1	Subscription 1878	\$ 42.09	Mar 3 ^d 1879	to Cash
May 29	to Shewys Ball	6.26	1880	from Sub 1878
Jun 5	from 2 ^d June "	11.30	Dec 29	and Rec from Sub
1880	Jul 24	Eliza Shewys "	7.00	" "
Dec 26	May S Shewys Ball	30.00	1880	to Ballance
" 29	to Shewys Ball	2.36	Mar 1	Cash in Town
" "	TS. Howard 3 ^d "	65		
" "	to Shewys "	3.05		
" "	W. Shewys Salary	41.35		
" "	to Shewys "	900.00		
1880		<u>\$ 1033.96</u>		
Mar 1	Subscription 1879	200.00		

Dr Donation for Jan'y Cr

1879				
Mar 3	to May on Monthly	\$ 3.00	May 11	to Cash
1879			Jun 8	" "
Aug 10	" "	5.00	Aug 10	" "
Sept 11	" "	5.00	Nov 9	" "
Nov 9	" "	10.00	Dec 8	" "
Dec 8	" "	5.00	" 29	" "
" 29	" "	15.00	Mar 8	" "
1880		<u>\$ 53.06</u>	Mar 14	to Cash
Mar 14	to Cash	5.00	Apr 11	" "
Apr 11	" "	5.00	May 13	to Cash
May 13	to Cash	35.00		
1879	Capital and S. Shewys		1879	to Cash
Mar 1	to Cash	20.00	May 1	to Cash
May 1	to Cash	5.00	Jun 10	" "
Jun 10	" "	10.00	Jul 12	" "
Jul 12	" "	10.00	Aug 29	" "
Aug 29	" "	10.00		
1880		<u>\$ 20.00</u>		
Mar 1	to Cash	20.00		

Check to Cash
1881

\$20.00 to Cash
1881

1889

Jan 1st Balance in Breeding

Received from Cunningham Collectors 12 25
 31 35

1888

Received for Cunningham's papers 4 50
 7 Hatched bills 3 00
 Received for making Cunningham's box 4 40
 Received for Cunningham's dress 21 59
 Received for Cunningham's for 1889 9 69
 Balance in Breeding Jan 1, 1889 9 76

1889

Balance in the Breeding
 Received from Collectors at
 Conference during

9 76
 1889
 28 65

Received during the year
 1889.

Received for Cunningham's box 4 50
 for making bills 3 00
 for making box 8 60
 for Cunningham's dress 4 00
 Balance in Breeding Jan 1, 1889 28 65

1890

Jan 1

Balance in Breeding
 Received from Cunningham Collectors
 for the year 1891 - 8 55
 26 15

Received for Cunningham's papers 7 50
 for Cunningham's for 1891 8 60
 Received for Cunningham's box 3 96
 for Cunningham's dress 20 06
 Balance in Breeding Jan 1, 1891 8 60
 Received from Cunningham Collectors
 for the year 1892 15 75
 21 84

Received for Cunningham's box 4 50
 for Cunningham's for 1892 3 00
 for Cunningham's dress 8 60
 Balance in Breeding Jan 1, 1892 3 96
 Received from Cunningham Collectors
 for the year 1893 - 16 75
 18 53
 Received for Cunningham's box 4 50
 for Cunningham's for 1893 2 00
 for Cunningham's dress 7 60
 Balance in Breeding Jan 1, 1893 3 96
 18 53
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Congregational Society Record Book

Nov. 21 1839 to Feb 27 1864

Below is the account of the March 10, 1842 meeting setting the
Rev. Jacob White's salary. Also, who should ring the bell, collect, &c.
" " " founded the Ladies Benevolent Association in 1842

The Society being assembled agreeable to the warrant
made choice of Joshua Daane Moderator
Jonathan Higgins Clerk & Treasurer
Jonathan Higgins
Joshua Daane Committee
Alex. Henrich
Thomas Higgins Jr.
Jonathan Higgins Jr. Anthony
Lot Higgins

The following report was then read and accepted
The subscribers, Committee of the Cong. Society have
this day settled with the Treasurer and find his account
rightly cast and well accounted, and find to the
Society's credit the following services viz

In Treasurers \$118.18

On Ebenezer Rogers Note 1841 9.11

On Alex. Henrich's bills for 1842 80.00

207.29

The Society is Dr. to Rev. Mr. White 200.00

Balance in favour of the Society \$7.29

Orleans March 10th 1842

Alex. Henrich }
Joseph Snow } Committee

Voted to contract with the Rev. Mr. White as long as
both parties are satisfied and whenever either party
becomes dissatisfied the connection may be dissolved
by giving ~~notice~~ ^{written} notice

Voted to give the Rev. Mr. White five hundred dollars
per year as long as he shall remain with
them.

Voted to raise the sum of five hundred dollars for
the supply of the pulpit and fifty dollars
for the incidental expenses

Voted to raise said ^{money} by taxation
Sold the collection of the taxes to Alex. Henrich
for one and seven eights per cent.

Made choice of Alex. Henrich Constable

Sold the care of meeting ringing the bell &c
to Ebenezer Rogers for 21 dollars

Recorded by me Jonathan Higgins } Clerk

Congregational Society's Account Book

June 1839 to March 1865.

Treasurer Dr.

1844		
Feb 19	Received of Joseph S. Rogers	7 00
" 27	Received of Mrs W. L. Knowles	10 00
	Received of Isaac Rogers	2 00
March 15	Received of Richard Atwood	6 00
March 24	Received of Anne Rogers	1 50
June 5	Received of James Percival	5 00
Sept 10	Received of J. H. Mayo	8 00
		\$ 26 50

The above accounted for to the
Committee

Oleams March 5th 1844

Alex. Kerrick

June 5 th	Received of James Percival	5 00
Sept 1	Received of Joseph H. Mayo	8 00
Dec 23	Received of Richard Atwood	2 80
1845	Received of Alex. Kerrick for Meadon	9 75
Feb. 17	Received of J. S. Rogers	8 00
" "	Received of Mrs W. L. Knowles	10 00
		\$ 48 75

The above accounted for to the Committee
March 17. 1845

Joshua Doane

Nov. 10	Received of Anne Rogers	1 50
1845		
Dec 28	Received of Joseph S. Rogers	8 00
1846	Received of Eliza Smith	6 00
Jan 3 rd	Received of Alex. Kerrick for Meadon	8 50
Jan 30	Received of Richard Atwood	8 00
March 24	Received of Winslow S. Knowles	10 00
		\$ 42 00

The above accounted for to the Comm.
March 30th 1846

Alex. Kerrick } Committee

Treasurer Dr.

Recd of Mrs. W. L. Snowles by Barna Snow	\$ 5 00
Recd of Miss Elizabeth Rogers per Subscription for colouring circlets	2 46
1840 Jan 9th Recd of the Female Abolition Socy for the use of the house	1 00
Jan 20th Received of Joseph H. Mayo	18 00
March 2nd Recd of Joseph L. Rogers	5 00

\$ 31.46

Olebens March 13 /40

The above sum accounted for to the
Society's committee

Barna Snow
Joshua Doane

1840 March 25th Received of Abner Rogers	1 50
May 8th Received of Barna Snow for coal	1 26
May 11th Received for oil	1 37
June 11th Received of Asariah Snow	3 00
1841 Feb 16th Received of Joseph L. Rogers	6 00
	\$ 13.83

Olebens Feby 19th /840

The above accounted for to the Comtee.

Barna Snow

March 8th Received of Joseph H. Mayo	10 00
April 20th Recd of James Percival	3 00
Nov. 2nd Recd for the use of the fall	75
Feb. 7/42 Recd of Joseph L. Rogers	7 00
" Recd of Abner Rogers	1 50
" Recd of Joseph H. Mayo	8 00
1842 21st Recd of Asa Rogers	2 50
	\$ 52.75

The above accounted for to the committee

Olebens 7th March 1842 By Henry H. Bennett

March 25 Received of James Percival	3 00
April Received of Barna Snow for copper and stove	3 78
Received of Chapman Leary for stove bottom	11
June 13 Recd of a sum of	1 00
Received of Mrs. W. L. Snowles	10 00

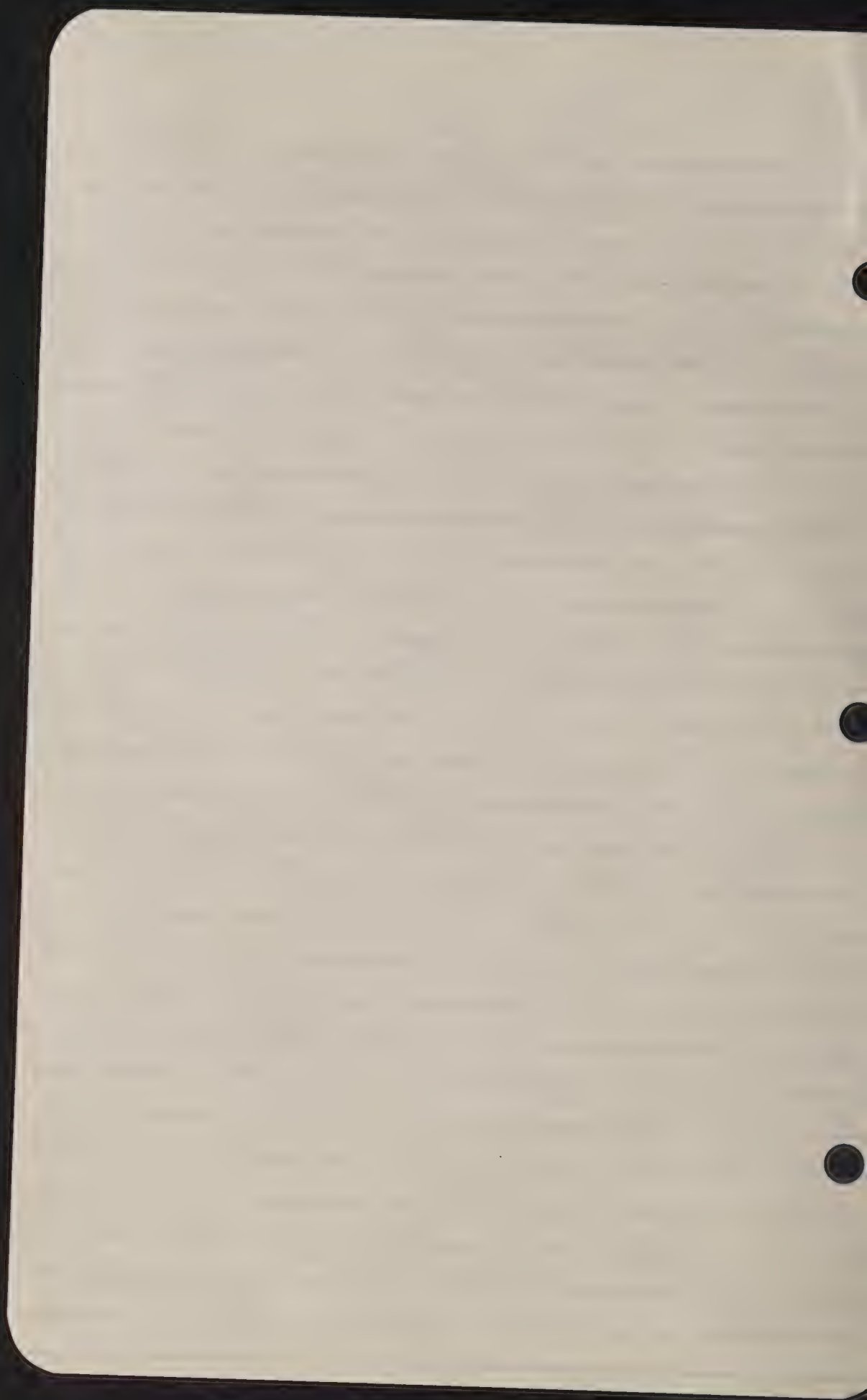
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Congregational Society's Record
Book - Nov 4 - 1839 - Feb 27, 1864

1) Accounts of the Mar 10th, 1842
meeting, setting the terms of Rev.
Jacob White's salary, rolls should
bring the Bell, Collected pledges
etc.
Rev. Jacob White founded the
Ladies' Benevolent Assoc. in
1842

2) Record of Accounts for
June 1839 - Mar. 1865

3) Records from the Con-
gregational Treasures Record
Book from March 1879 - 1881
and 1888 - 1894



These two pages have notes
by Rev. Jonathan Bascom for
the years Feb. 23, 1779 through
April 9, 1781

In Ch. meeting Feb. 23. 1779. Brother Nathaniel Mayo, Cap^t Job Crocker were chosen to settle & make up with y^e Ch. Treasurer for last year.

Same day it was voted by y^e Ch. to have but six communions for the year ensuing. Also that each male member pay Eight Shillings, & each female six shillings. to y^e Treasurer to enable him to provide Elements for the same. & it was agreed y^t it sh^d be paid in by y^e middle of next march.

J. Bascom

In Ch. meeting, Aug. 19. 1779. y^e Ch. Treasury being exhausted, voted y^t there be a contribution of y^e Ch. to obtain a supply for y^e two remaining communions.

J. Bascom

March 8. 1780. The above Committee chosen to settle accounts with the Treasurer Reported, that they found due to y^e Treasury Eleven Shillings.

The Report was voted & accepted.

J. Bascom

Same time a Committee viz Cap. Crocker, Mr. Nath^l Mayo, & Mr. Crisp Rogers to make up accounts of y^e Treasury for y^e year 1779. We report that they found due to y^e Treasury Sixteen Shil^l & Eight Pence.

The Report was voted & accepted.

J. Bascom

Same time The Ch. voted to have six communions this year & once in six weeks. & also to make provision for the same, that each male member pay twenty Shillings & each female Fifteen Shillings to the Treasurer on or before Tuesday, y^e 1st Instant, or as soon after as they could.

Rev. J. Bascom

The above provision not proving sufficient, the ch^h being together June 7th voted as an addition to it y^t each male member pay twenty Dollars, & each female fifteen dollars into the Treas.

by the 2nd of June instant

At the same time voted a committee to see if there be not some by reason of extreme poverty, ought to be excused from paying any thing for y^e present, towards y^e support of special ordinances. The Committee consists of three, viz Mr. Nath^l Mayo, Cap^t Job Crocker, & Mr. John Twining. Adjourned to next Lecture.

Record J. Bascom

At y^e adjournment viz Oct. 1.

1780. y^e Committee above named reported, y^t in y^e opinion, Belah Smith, Widows Phoebe Paine, Wife of Tho^s Paine jr^d, Ruth Mayo, y^e Wife of Theophilus Mayo, Wife of Joseph Arj, Wid^{ow} Abigail Snow, & y^e Wife of Henry Rogers ought to be excused from y^e Charges of Special Ordinances. And y^t The Wife of Henry Cole, y^e Wife of Jesse Cole, & Sam Rogers & his Wife, & Mary Chace ought to be excused for y^e present year. The report was voted & accepted. At y^e same time it was proposed & voted, y^t Eliphaz Nickerson, & y^e Wife of Amos Harding be excused also for y^e present year.

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In Ch. meeting March 27. 1781.

voted y^e same Number & course of Communions as last year. - & y^t each male member pay 12 Shil^l. & each female 9 Shil^l. 0. Ten. in Silver, or y^e Value thereof when paid in paper Currency, to provide for y^e Sabbath.

And y^t Mr. Nath^l Mayo, & Mr. John Twining y^e be a Committee to settle with the Treasurer for last year.

April 9 1781 y^e above Committee reported y^t y^e found in y^e Treasurer's hand Ten pounds & one Shilling.

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March 29th

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Do 16

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We believe that there is one God, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. That the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament, were given by Divine Inspiration, and contain the only perfect rule of Faith and practice.

That God maintains a Righteous Government over all his Creatures.

That man has fallen from the state in which he was originally created, and is by nature entirely destitute of Holiness.

That an atonement is made for sin by the Lord Jesus Christ: so that Repentance & Faith are now the conditions of Salvation.

We believe in the necessity of our being renewed by the Agency of the Holy Spirit, in the increase in Holiness, and perseverance unto Salvation, of all, who truly believe in the Doctrine of a General Resurrection, in the everlasting Blessedness of the Righteous, and the Endless Punishment of all the finally impenitent.

Covenant.

Acknowledging your infinite obligations to be the Lord, whom you profess; you desire in sincerity of Heart, and with a deep sense of your unworthiness, to lay hold on his Holy and Everlasting Covenant.

You give up Yourself to God the Father as your Father, as your God. Your Father and eternal Portion.

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You give up Yourself to the Holy Spirit and rely on him for Sanctification, Guidance and Comfort.

Depending on divine Grace for Assistance, you humbly solemnly bind yourself to glorify God by a faithful discharge of the duties of Sobriety, Righteousness & Godliness, and by a diligent observance of his Commandments and Ordinances.

You particularly engage to walk with this Church of Christ faithfully, - attending the public worship of God, the Sacraments of the New Testament, the Discipline of his Kingdom and all his sacred Institutions, and watchfully avoid whatever is contrary to purity, peace & Love, as becomes the

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All this you do, relying on the Blood of the Everlasting Covenant for the Pardon of your sins. And Resolving the glorious God to prepare and strengthen you for every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight through Jesus Christ, to whom be Glory, dominion and praise forever and ever.

Thus you promise, on your thus professing and promising, we receive you as a member (or members) of this Church, and admit you to the full enjoyment of all its privileges. - Promising through Divine Grace assisting us to aid you in the duties of a Christian life by our Prayers and fraternal watchfulness expecting, in return the same offices from you that the purposes of this Holy Covenant may be answered. The Lord make us faithful to himself and to each other.

Discipline of the Church

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BILL OF MORTALITY
IN THE
SOUTH PARISH OF EASTHAM
1772 - 1828

Bill of mortality
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ish of Eastham,
begun April, 1772.
Wife of Jos. Hopkins
Child of Thos. Mayo
Moses Cole
Capt. Gid. Smith.
Jo. Freeman, Esq.
W. Hannah Sparrow
Jesse Snow
Abiel Corby
Wife of Zac. Huggins
Wife of Jesse Kirkerson
Wife of Edw. Smith
Wife of Amos Knowles
Wife of Geo. Gates
Abiel Corby, Jr.
14

1773

Betty Knowles
Child of Edw. Tanning
Capt. Crisp Rogers

Wife of Heman Cole
Wife of Nathl. Murrell
Marius Cole
Wife of Heman Snow
Sam. E. Arty, Esq.
Sarah Cole
Judith Rogers
Wife of Jos. Corby
Wife of Sam. Rogers
Wife of Sam. Rogers
Eliza Young
Wife of Jos. Hopkins
W. M. Lewis
W. R. Knowles
Joshua Rogers, 13
Wife of Sam. Teare
Wife of Benj. Huggins
Wife of Thos. Arty
Joshua Cole
Eliza Lincolne
Wife of Sam. Huggins
24

24

1774
Wife of Benj. Rogers
Wife of Thos. Rogers

E. Dan. Cole
 Child Sam. Higgins
 Wife Jon. a. Twining
 Thos. Sparrow
 Richard Sparrow, 71
 W. C. Snow, 76
 Child Seth. Knowles
 Child Nathan Higgins
 Inf. Heman Linnell
 Wife Amariah Rogers
 Wife James Higgins
 Joshua Rogers

14
 1745
 E. Heman Linnell
 Inf. Jon. Higgins
 Jon. a. Rogers
 Wife Thos. Hopkins
 Richard Saine, 70
 Child Henry Rogers
 John Lewis
 Inf. Thos. Linnell, 70
 E. H. W. M. Lewis
 Wife Jon. a. Linnell, 71

Mary Minick
 Aba. Mayo, 70
 Infant Thos. Ary
 Wife Jon. a. Hopkins
 Child Ben. Pepper
 Fannie Cole
 Joshua Hopkins, 71
 Inf. Sam. L. Knowles
 Child Eliza. Freeman
 Mehit. Smith
 Child Eliza. Twining
 Wife Jos. a. Smith
 22

1776
 W. C. Snow
 Child Isaac Higgins
 Ruth. Jay, 70
 W. C. Batey
 W. C. Young
 Wife Isaac Higgins
 Wife Jon. a. Sparrow
 Child Jos. Higgins
 Sam. Higgins, 84
 Child Jon. Higgins
 Child Jon. Higgins

Child Thos. Ary
 Experience Higgins
 Wife W. C. Baker
 Child Wm. Minick
 Child Seth. Smith
 Child Eliza. Freeman
 W. C. Esther Sparrow
 Child Eben. Harding
 Child Jos. a. Corby
 Child Thos. Linnell, 71
 Wife Samuel. Snow
 James Higgins
 23

1777
 Child Nathan Young
 W. C. Young & Higgins
 Child Sam. Higgins
 Child Nathan Murray
 Inf. O. Ary
 W. C. Ary, 94
 Jon. a. Linnell, 73
 Child Jos. Bates
 Wife Ed. a. Batey

Joseph Freeman
 Child Eliza. Rogers
 Child Jos. a. Henry
 James Higgins, 90
 Inf. Edm. Young
 Bangs a. Linnell
 Lora Snow
 Inf. Thos. Ary
 Ben. Higgins, 60
 Lydia Twining
 Joshua Linnell
 Jon. Snow
 Enoch Rogers
 Rebecca Higgins
 Fanny Rogers
 Inf. Eliza. Snow
 Inf. Eliza. Higgins
 Child Isaac Higgins
 Child Twining
 Sam. Twining
 Sarah Sparrow
 Rebecca Smith
 Ed. Higgins
 Wife Thos. Higgins
 W. C. Rogers

Edm^d Freeman

Wm. Paine

36

1778

Just - Higgins

Wife Tho. Mayo

Child Gates Knowles

Wm. M. Higgins

Amasa Knowles

Joseph Hamilton

Sam. L. Paine

Just Dan. Hamilton

Just Dan. Hamilton

Wife Nath. Paine

Child Jos. Cole

Nath. Paine

Just Higgins

Just Tho. May

Just Jos. Mayo

Sam. Knowles

Child Knowles

Wife Abig. Smith

Wife Abig. Higgins

Joseph Freeman

Mary Mayo

27

1779

Wife Theo. Hopkins

Mary Gates

John Knowles

Child Isaac Freeman

Thom. Rogers

Child Eliza Freeman

Reck. Higgins

Wife Tho. Paine, Sep.

Wm. Mayo

Child Lot Higgins

Child Jos. Mayo

Wm. M. Paine

Just Levi Higgins

Wife Abig. Lincol

14

1780

Ala Mayo 75

Just Jim Higgins

Just Hopkins, 75

Wife Hopkins, 95

Wife H. Sparrow 82

Abig. Smith

Just Eliza Freeman

Just Ol. May

Wife Eliza Higgins

Wife Dea. Higgins, 83

Wm. Higgins

Wife Dor. Cole, 80

Child Tho. Rogers

Abig. Smith

Child Tho. Rogers

Tom. Eaton Young

Wife Jim. Smith

Thos. Higgins, 83

Just Higgins, 75

Michael Snow, 75

Levi Higgins

24

1781

Just Ol. Higgins

Child Geo. Higgins

Richard Knowles

Just Jos. Crosby

2 Child Tho. Twining

Joseph Gates

John Knowles

John Mayo

John Smith

Wife Rob. Smith

Wife P. Smith

Heph. Smith

Sam. Morris

Dan. Cole, 73

Wife Her. Rogers

Child Nat. Harding

1782

Heaman Cole

Wife Dor. Freeman

Wife John. Bacon

Wife Atwood

Benja. Mayo

Eliza Atwood

Just Geo. Paine

Wm. Freeman Wife Jos. Wry Seth Rogers Prince Freeman Rev. Levi Rogers Child W. S. Smith Child Levi Rogers Casson Cole Danl Cole Child Rich. Higgins 17	another Sol. Sparrow Child W. Gould 13 1784 John E. Parmer Richard Higgins Eric's Freeman Mark L. Inaud W. Cole Wife Jos. Corby Child E. Young Sam. Penwiche Wife Enos Knowles Inf. Jos. Higgins Obed. Higgins Enos Knowles Elcar. Rogers Inf. Elia. Freeman Wife Jos. B. B. B. Ruth. Tree man Inf. Abia. Knowles Josiah Inaud Elpha Rogers Lathie Linnel
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Child Jos. Mayo
 Wife Eben. Nickerson
 Child Jos. Higgins
 Child Edm. Freeman
 Isaac Higgins
 Twins J. Rogers
 Wife Jos. Higgins
 W. Kem. Young
 Jos. Levi Rogers
 Jos. Prof. Kenwick
 Josiah Rogers
 Jos. Peppier
 Son Abiel Cole
 Child Benj. Taylor
 Lab. Young
 19
 1789
 Child Wm. Snow
 Molly Twining
 Jos. Ben. Higgins
 Wife Theop. Mayo
 Jos. Wm. Mayo

Jos. Ben. Taylor
 Wife Abiel Cole
 Nathl. Rogers
 Son. Sparrow, 95
 21
 1790
 Child Jos. Gould
 Dr. Kenwick
 Child Elk. Lincol
 W. Young
 Child Moses Snow
 Child Jos. Mirrick
 Dea. Doane
 Child Jos. Mirrick
 Child Sam. Kingman
 Child Wm. Higgins
 Child Wm. Paine
 Child Thos. Mayo
 Wife Thos. Harding
 Nephew Nickerson
 14
 1792
 Dea. Higgins 94

Jos. Levi Rogers
 Jos. Jos. Higgins
 Phoebe Peppier
 Jos. G. Alwood
 Child Jos. Cole
 Wife Jos. Mirrick
 Jos. Jos. Mayo
 Jos. Theop. Mayo
 Jos. Mirrick Snow
 Wife Moses Higgins
 Wife Jos. Cole
 Child Edm. Freeman
 Wife Jos. Snow
 Jos. Elk. Freeman
 15
 1793
 Freeman Kingman
 Jos. Josiah Cole
 Thos. Jos. Paine
 Waltham. Snow
 Jos. Gould
 Mary Rogers
 Edmund Higgins

Capt. J. H. Higgins
 Capt. J. M. Deane
 Miss J. M. Higgins
 Miss W. Higgins
 Mr. Harding
 Child Nathan Smith
 W. Twining
 Capt. Rich. Sparrow
 Capt. M. Sherman
 Wm. C. Freeman
 Child G. D. Rogers
 Thos. Smith
 Deane Smith

20

1794

1794.
Sept. 28th Dry
Sept. 29th Part. Higgins
Sept. 30th Part. Linnel
Oct. 1st Mayo
Oct. 2nd Fri. Mayo
Oct. 3rd Sat. with
Oct. 4th Thawing

Child Patterson
Child Wm. Mayo
Lydia Knowles
Child Hat. Higgins
Inf. Jm. Sparrow
W. E. Rogers

W. Jarvis
J. F. Gould Linnell
James Knowles
Wife Jo. Smith
Mary Harding
Joseph Cole
Knowles Higgins
J. F. Dav. Taylor
Josiah Mayo

Levi Rogers
Daise Gould
Joseph Gould
Jonathan Rogers
2 sons Her. Rogers
son Jesse Kearney
son Jonathan Newcomb

1795
Wm Cooby
Child Hart Higgins
Just for a Mayo
Dear Smith
Just Dav. Atwood

Fr. Sparrow
 Child of J. Nicolson
 J. P. Judah Rogers
 Wm. Murdock
 Child of Sam. Linnell
 Wife of J. H. Crosby
 Wife of A. C. Snow.
 Sally Freeman
 Do - Sparrow Higgins
 Joseph Cole jun -
 Isaac Young
 Wife of J. Freeman
 Wife of J. H. Crosby
 Freeman Higgins
 James South
 Eben. Beebe Carpenter
 Mercy May
 Joseph P. H. Grand
 Elizabeth Higgins
 Ruth Mayo

W. H. Mayo

Wife Dr. Harding
Deuben Higgins
Godfrey David
Capt Abner Freeman
Wife E. R. Winsel
Nathl Harding

13

1796

Jst Peter Nickenfor
 Child Jon: Rogers
 W^m. W^c. Cole
 Jst. Joshua Mayo
 Jst. Saml Shepard Jr.
 Child Mary Hoge
 Simon Linnel
 Bangs Nickerson
 James Linne
 Nathan Linnel
 Wife the same
 Jst. S. Linnel
 Stephen Goodrich
 Amos Goodrich
 Jst. Rogers
 Oliver Perry
 Maria 1860

with 1/2 the

1797

David Huggins
 Lydia Mayo
 Child M. Huggins
 Allen Huggins
 W. S. Huggins
 Cora Lincol
 Joshua Knowles
 Infant Jon. Huggins
 Child Herman Huggins
 Infant M. Huggins

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1798

W. D. C. Huggins
 W. S. Huggins
 Thomas Knowles
 Infant Jon. Huggins
 Child Herman Huggins
 Infant M. Huggins
 W. S. Huggins
 Cora Lincol
 Joshua Knowles
 Infant Jon. Huggins
 Child Herman Huggins
 Infant M. Huggins

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1799

W. D. C. Huggins
 W. S. Huggins
 Child M. Huggins
 W. S. Huggins
 Cora Lincol
 Joshua Knowles
 Infant Jon. Huggins
 Child Herman Huggins
 Infant M. Huggins
 W. S. Huggins
 Cora Lincol
 Joshua Knowles
 Infant Jon. Huggins
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1800

W. S. Huggins
 W. S. Huggins
 Child M. Huggins
 W. S. Huggins
 Cora Lincol
 Joshua Knowles
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 Child Herman Huggins
 Infant M. Huggins

1799

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 Child M. Huggins
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 Cora Lincol
 Joshua Knowles
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1799

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1802

W. S. Huggins
 W. S. Huggins
 Child M. Huggins
 W. S. Huggins
 Cora Lincol
 Joshua Knowles
 Infant Jon. Huggins
 Child Herman Huggins
 Infant M. Huggins

Child of the other boys
Child of Cochoon
Jame Smith, abroad.
Wife Daw. Inow.
Child of Daw.
Benja Pepper, gw.

1503

Nathan Smith,
Benjamin Pepper,
Infant Herman Snow
Infant Thos. Robin-
son & Edgour
George Cole.
Capt J. Whitehouse;
Capt J. Taylor
~~James~~
Mrs. E. Dodge
Wm. Joseph Snowy.
Child. Cap. Lyons
Will. Natl. Nickerson
Jed. George Kearney
Child John Freeman
Mr. Eliza Higgins
The Appoline Harmon

1804
Infant Thos. Hopkins
Freeman Higgins
Child in Hornick
Wife Saml. Rogers, 64
Child Bampf. Hunt
Inf. Aaron Lippert
Ephra Linnell, at Sea
Nathl Freeman
Nathan Cole, jr
Nathl Frost, jr
Thomas Dwyer, jr
Child Eben. Rogers
Inf. Isaac Adams
J. C. Snowles, jr. at Sea
Inf. Seth Higgins, jr.

5081

Infant Tho's Hopkins
Wife Prudence Snow
Infant Stephen Smith
William Smithman
Child Herman Myrick
Wife Dorcas Taylor
Wife Patsy Twining
Infant Elk. Hopkins

Child Joseph. Third.
Child Isaac. Sparrow.
Child Barn. Twining.
Inf. Thos. Freeman
Thos. Young.

March the 21st 1880

W. Rogers
Cotton, Henrick
Inf. John Smith
Wife J. M. Smith
Child, T. Bascom

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Wife Prince Rogers
 Inf. Thos. Hopkins
 Child Eliza Cole
 Azariah Boone
 Ebenezer Young
 Tim. Jarvis
 W. Thaddeus Higgins
 Inf. Ralph Smith
 Jonathan Moore
 W. Beth. Cole

27

1822

Samuel Jacobson

Child Jacobson

Child Jacobson

Child Jacobson

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Child Jacobson

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1822

Timothy Doan

Wid young

Wid Harding

John Doan

Wid Doan

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1815

Child Thomas Haggins -
Child David Haggins -
The Hecker Snore -
Child Joshua Haggins -
Wife Elizabeth Haggins -
Wife Oliver Smith -
Wife Rogers -
Child Capt. Haggins -
Child David Smith -
Child Bath. Crosby
Wife of Mr. Coffey
Child Ed. Haggins -
Child David Coffey
Thomas Gault 3d Sea
Wife La. Haggins -
Barnabas Haggins Sea
William Haggins Sea
Isaac Taylor Sea
Child Thomas Haggins -
Child Seth Haggins -
Wife Richard Haggins -
Child Luther Snore -

52
23 children
10 Professors

Philipa Cole -
 Timothy David
 John Lawrence
 Charles David Rogers
 Charles Freeman
 Thomas Sharps
 Charles - Kenneth
 John Rogers

Child Lab - Higgins -
 Child Davis Stephens -
 The Elder Snare -
 Child Joshua Freeman -
 Wife Elkinah Hopkins -
 Wife Oliver Smith -
 Sonny Rogers -
 Child Capt Freeman -
 Child Josiah Smith -
 Child Bath Crosby
 Wife of Mr Coffee
 Child Edmunn Jones
 Child Josiah Cox
 Thomas Gault 3d Sea
 Wife Luther Rogers -
 Wainman Higgins Sea
 William Higgins Sea
 Isaac Taylor Sea
 Child Thomas Hedges -
 Child Seth Richardson
 Wife Nathaniel Higgins -
 Child Luther Snare -

52
 23 children
 10 Professors

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Child Foster Rogers
 Joseph David - 80
 Will C. Sedgwick - 45
 Will Jennings - 78
 Child Harpys Smith -
 Matthew Cole - 90
 John Cole - Ground
 Child Joseph C. Crosby Jun
 Child Jonathan Rogers
 Catharine Linnell
 Child Maria Pierce
 Will Higgins - 88
 Will Rogers - 83
 Foster Rogers - 84
 Child Maria H. P. P.
 Richard Dwyer 60
 Child James Snow
 Child Lemuel Rogers
 Ruth Higgins -
 Child Jackson Small
 Joshua Gould - 84
 Child Jonathan Linnell
 Wife David Taylor Love
 Child Joseph Cole
 Child Samuel Spinnon
 Child Capt Comings
 Wife Maria Linnell
 Child of Mr Ware
 Will Linnell 86 Rogers
 90 Simon Mayo

Elizabeth Cole
 Wm Sarah Linell
 Mary Heyden - 44
 Child Emma Rogers
 Miss Helen Hopkin
 Miss Thomas Rogers
 Miss David Smith - 43
 Mary Ann Linell
 Childs Hardy
 29 children
 11 Aug 70.
 12 Dec 70

1827
W. E. Hemmick 86
Child Robert Higgins
Abraham Snow 54
James Hurd 50
Joseph Linnell 5
Frederick Youngs
Capt John Higgins 69
Wife Sam Sherman
Robert Brown 50
W. Thomas Linnell 67
W. Langford 50
Abel Crosby
David Young 95
Child Isaac Linnell
Child Simon Young
Capt Isaac Linnell
16 Sea

Chilc & Seth Doane.
Child James Higgins
Child Lenas Young
Mr Herman Snow
Son Mr Baker
20

1828

Samuel Doane

Wm Duane Taylor 102

THE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SEVEN PROPRIETORS.

The following fact in the history of the town of Eastham did not come to the knowledge of the writer until it was too late to insert it in its proper place.

In the year 1743 the town made a division of all the remaining undivided upland and sedge lands, belonging to all the inhabitants in common, lying southerly from a line running from Slut's bush to Boat Meadow river, and then by vote granted them to one hundred and thirty-seven persons, i. e. all the male inhabitants, at that time, over twenty-one years of age, who became the legal proprietors of them. After many years these lands became valuable, in consequence of the grass which grew up where there was little or none at the time of the division. Deep channels became filled and covered with grass, which also sprung up on the edge of the meadow west of the beach. Of late years the town has contended that these new meadows were common property and should be under its control.

A committee was chosen to investigate the matter, and power given them to apply to Hon. Nymphas Marston for his opinion, who, after an examination of the case, stated that the town had no title to the premises, but that the town did in 1743 convey this property to the one hundred and thirty-seven proprietors, their heirs, assigns, &c.

*from page 175 in
Rev. Enoch Pratt's History
of Eastham, Walfleet & Orleans
pub. in Yarmouth, 1844*

Mrs Howard Eldridge

Care Joseph Eldridge East-Harwich

Journal of a Voyage

from Boston to

Gibraltar. Smyrna and back

"Her memory fondly we'll cherish,
And trust in that mercy and love
Which shall once and forever unite us
In the home of the Father above."

in the Bark Stamboul

Commaned by
Ramon Kingman Master

September 13th 1853

Commencing Feb 12th 1854

and ending
Kept by

Matthew Kingman

Yet deep within our inmost hearts
Thy form shall be enshrined—
Thy cherished name inscribed upon
The tablet of the mind.

One of the crew

Forgiveness

My heart was heavy, for its trust had been
abused, its kindness answered with foul wrong—
so, turning gloomily from my fellow-men, one
summer Sabbath day, I strolled among the green
crafs of the village burial-place; where, ponder-
ing how all human love and hate find one sad
level, and how, soon or late, wronged and wrong-
doer, each with meekened face and cold hands
folded over a still heart, pass the green threshold
of our common grave, whither all footsteps tend—
whence none depart—awed for myself, and pity-
ing my race, our common sorrow like a mighty
wave, swept all my pride away, and, trembling, I
forgave.—J. G. Whittier.

MY BABY.

BY E. A. PARKHURST.

Early left this world of sorrow,
Early bid its scenes adieu;
Early called to climes celestial,
Early Heaven met his view:
Early left the parent bower,
Early severed earthly ties;
Early bud, but heavenly flower,
Early called to Paradise.

Early crossed Death's darksome river,
Early passed the golden gate,
Safe in the Eternal City,
There, beloved, for you to wait.
Early cleansed in holy fountain,
Early clad in vesture white;
Early chanting hymns seraphic
In the land of love and light.

THE CHILD'S PRAYER.

Into her chamber went
A little girl one day;
And by a chair she knelt,
And thus began to pray:
Jesus, my eyes I close,
Thy form I cannot see;
If Thou art near me, Lord,
I pray Thee speak to me.
A still small voice
She heard within her soul;
"What is it, child?—I hear;
I hear thee—tell me all!"

I pray Thee, Lord, she said,
That Thou wilt condescend
To carry in my heart,
And ever be my friend.
The path of life is dark—
I would not go astray;
Oh, let me have thy hand,
To lead me in the way.
Fear not, I will not fear,
Thee, poor child, alone;
And then she thought she felt
A soft hand press her own.

They tell me, Lord, that all
The living pass away;
The aged soon must die,
And even children may.
Oh! let my parents live,
Till I a woman grow.
For if they die, what can
A little orphan do?
Fear not, my child!
Whatever ill may come,
I'll not forsake thee e'er,
Until I bring thee home!"

Her little prayer was said,
And from her chamber now
She passed forth with the light
Of Heaven upon her brow.
Mother, I've seen the Lord—
His hand in mine I felt,
And Oh! I heard him say,
As by my chair I knelt:
"Fear not my child!
Whatever ill may come,
I'll not forsake thee e'er,
Until I bring thee home!"

Were I but his own wife, to guard and to guide him,
'Tis little of sorrow should fall on my dear;
For every kind glance, my whole life would reward him.
In sickness I'd soothe him, in sadness I'd cheer.
My heart is a fount, swelling upwards for ever—
When I think of my true love, by night or by day
That heart keeps its faith like a fast flowing river
Which gushes forever and sings on its way.
I have thoughts full of peace for his soul to repose in,
Were I but his own wife, to win and to woo—
Oh! sweet if the night of misfortune were closing
To rise like the morning star, darling, on you.

A Greek maiden being asked what fortune she would bring her
husband, replied in the following beautiful and forcible language:
"I will bring him what gold cannot purchase—a heart unspotted,
and virtue without a stain; which is all that descended to me from
my parents."

THE DEPARTED.

BY WILLIAM RODERICK LAWRENCE.

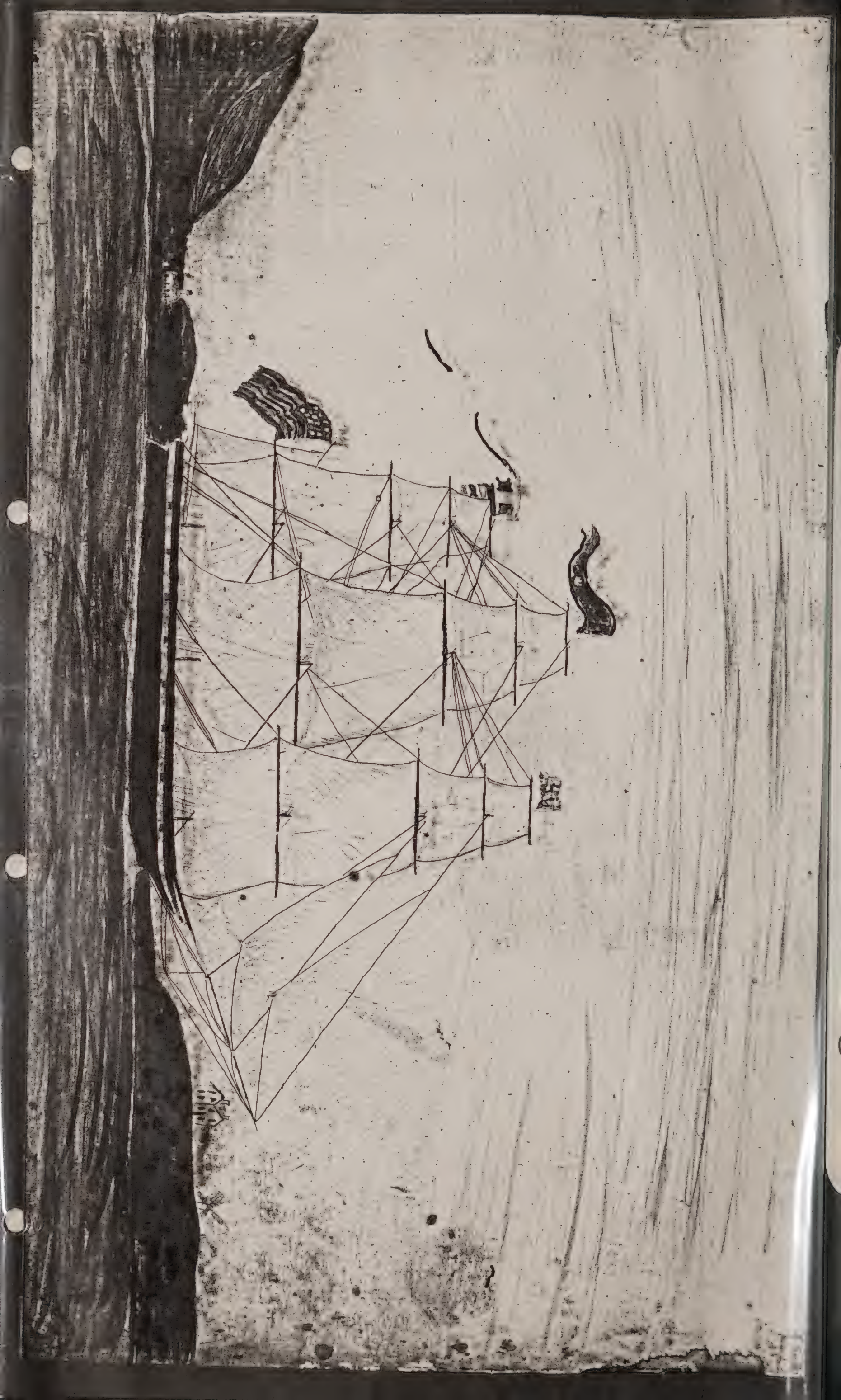
What thoughts of sorrow fill the mind,
Thoughts of the dear departed—
Who took their flight to brighter worlds,
And left us broken hearted—
Some warm young heart, whose tender love
We won without endeavor,
And which through life's vicissitudes
Remained the same forever.
Or some dear friend we e'er could trust
With all our secret feelings,
Our best endeavors, wishes best,
And all the soul's revealings—
Yes, they have left us here to mourn,
The true, the tender-hearted;
Too good, too pure to dwell below,
To brighter worlds departed.

The Divorced Wife.

WRITTEN FOR THE OLIVE BRANCH BY IVYLAND.

Farewell! we must part and to meet nevermore,
The charm that hath fettered my heart, now is o'er.
I loved thee, and trusted, but broken the spell,
Thou hast blighted a heart that loved only too well.
Thou wilt enter a path, where the laurels are grown,
And the Spring time of life, in thy heart be renewed;
Thou wilt march to the temple of Fame, and forget
The friend who will cling to thy memory yet.
I gave the first love of my innocent youth,
I stood at the altar, in honor and truth,
I, who have been with thee, in sorrow and shame,
Am deemed too unworthy to share in thy fame.
But go! it must be; and forever we part—
I ask not to hold a third place in thy heart,
But if ever in sorrow come back unto me,
And a true heart's forgiveness I'll proffer to thee.

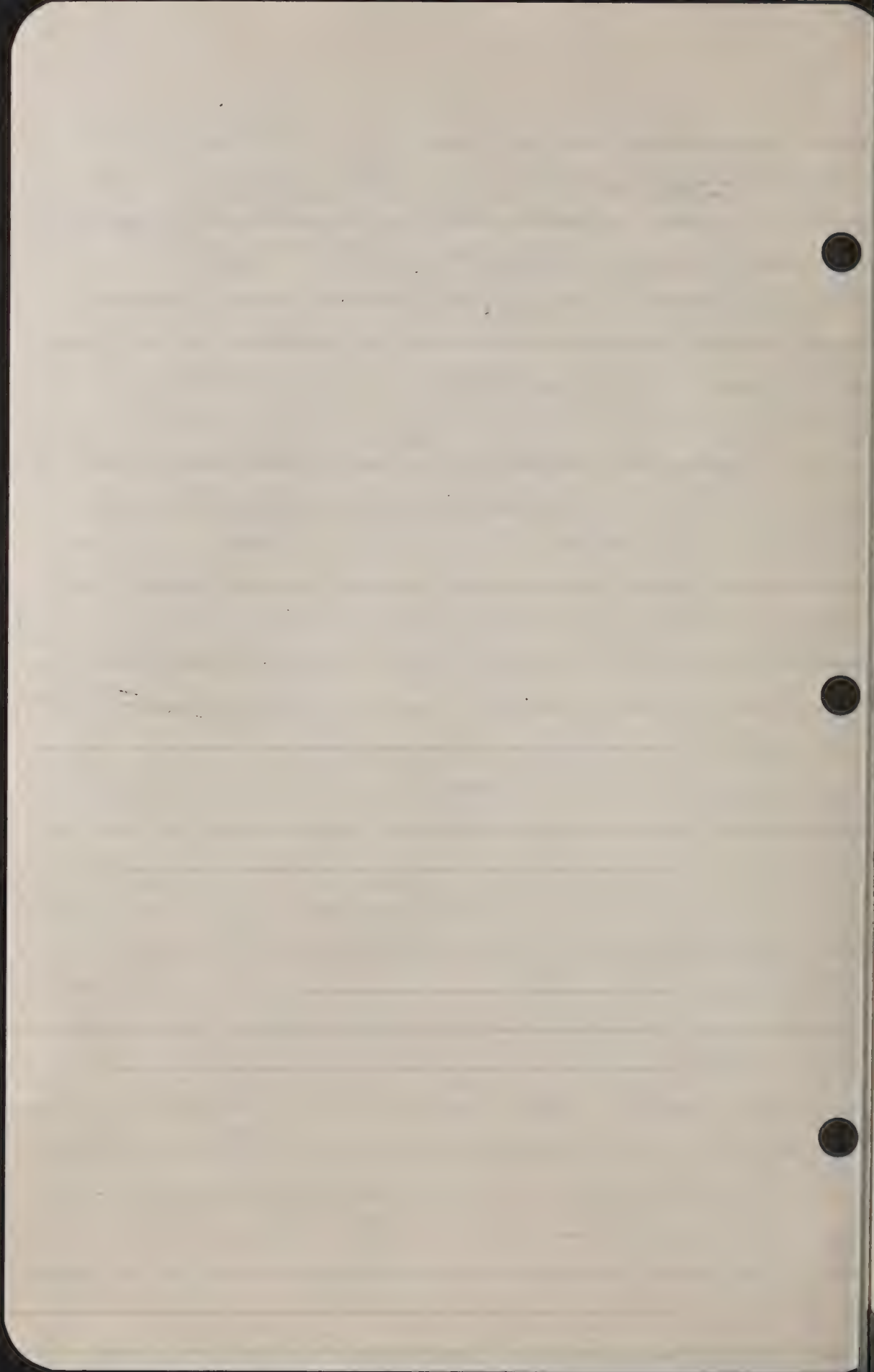
A man remarked to other in conversation
ding day he had an idea that
something, but it proved all moonshine
it does—with some.



Picture of the Bark Stankoul
Page front

Also Journal of its Voyage
from Boston to L'Anse-au-Loup
and back. Simon Knapp,
Master Sept 13, 1853 - Feb 12, 1854
Kept by one of the crew

Mrs. Howard Eldridge
Care of Joseph Eldridge, E. Harwich



Parish Records of 1826
(P. 3)

re. voting on Town
affairs at the Congregational
Meeting House on Monday
16 Jan at 1 p.m. 1826

A copy of the First Entry
in Parish Record 1826

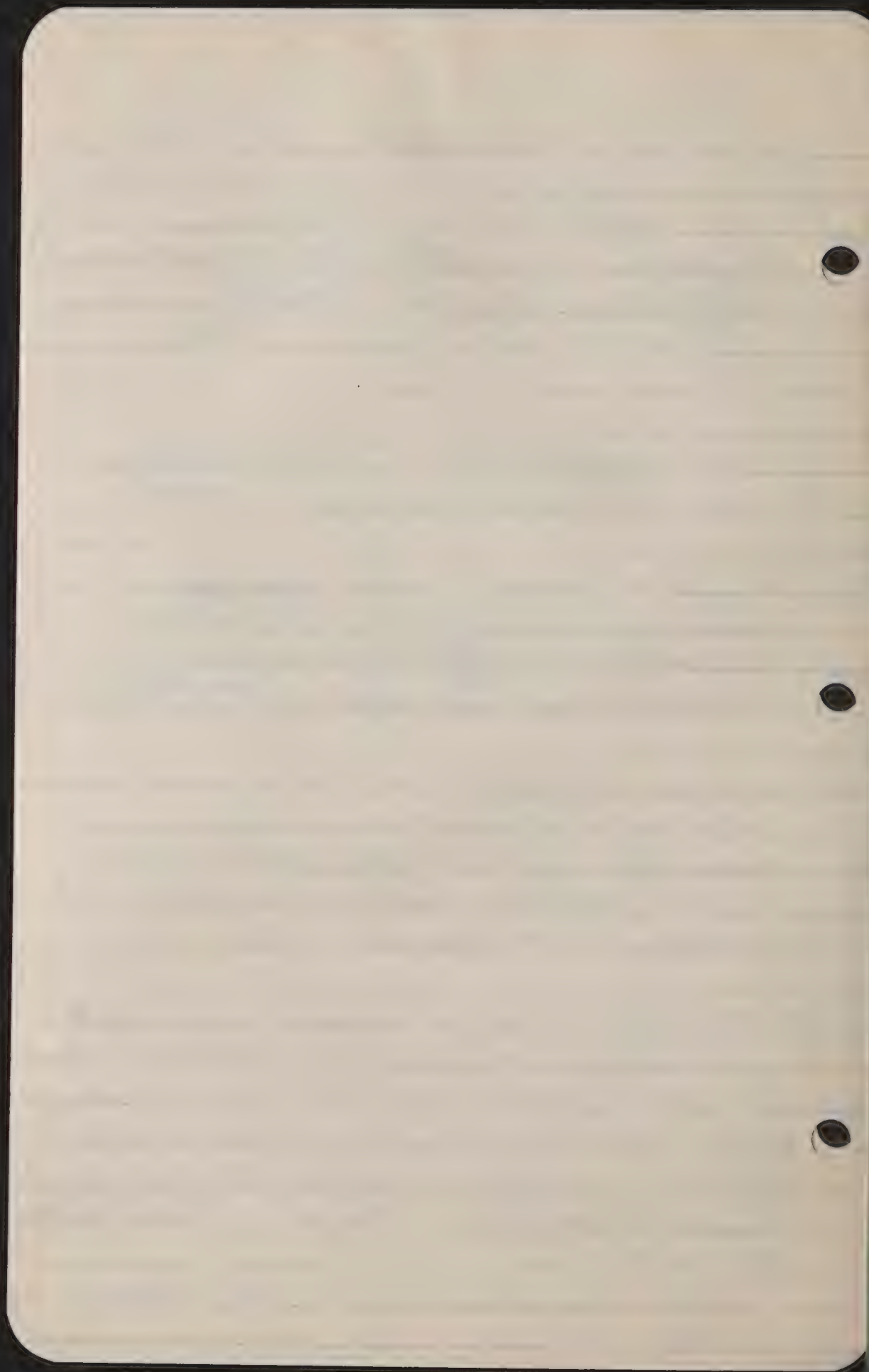
Page 4 contains the warrant
for a meeting of the Male
Members of the reformed
Methodist Society. ^{from Parish} records 1826

Request that a warrant be
issued to form a religious
society by the name of the
First Universalist Society of
Orleans - Jan 18. 1826

order to Israel Tunell - Collector
of the Congregational Society in Orleans
to call a meeting of the Male Members
of the society qualified by law to
vote to assemble at the meeting, 1827
house ~~to be~~ on Monday, Jan 14th
at one o'clock

1st - to Choose a Moderator

2nd - to see if the Parish desires



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Rev. Mr. Johnson to continue
as their pastor

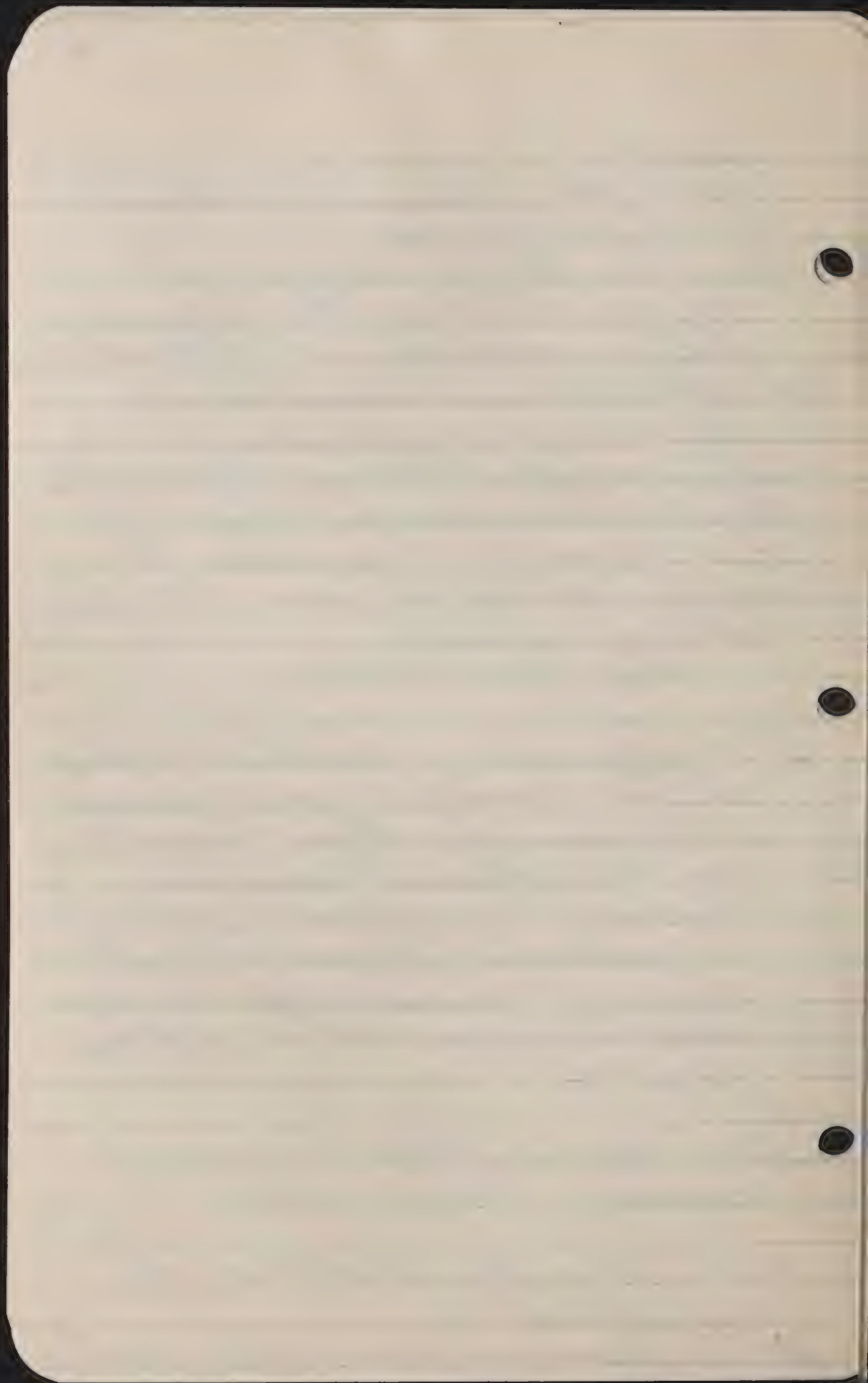
- 3 To see if the Parish will
continue to pay Mr Johnson's
salary according to stipulation
- 4 If the parish unwilling to
fulfill said engagements to see
if they will to terms of separation
of separation from the Church
and choose a Committee to
meet with Mr Johnson to carry
votants offed.

Dec 25th 1827

P. 17 - Results of society Meeting
which resulted according
to Messrs Jonathan Higgins,
in Rev Francis Johnson
(born in Bridgewater, Mass &
a graduate of Brown) Contin-
uing as Minister for 20 yrs.
and dismissed others were
rejected

P. 27 Warrant for Annual
Meeting - Mar. 9 - 1829

P. 28 A meeting to vote on the
following -
to Choose a Moderator and



Voted on the questions of taking
down the old meeting house
and construction of a new
building June 25, 1829

P. 29 Record of Meeting Dec 26,
1829 to vote to raise
money for "The Support of
the Chapel" and voted to
to build a yard around
the Meeting House

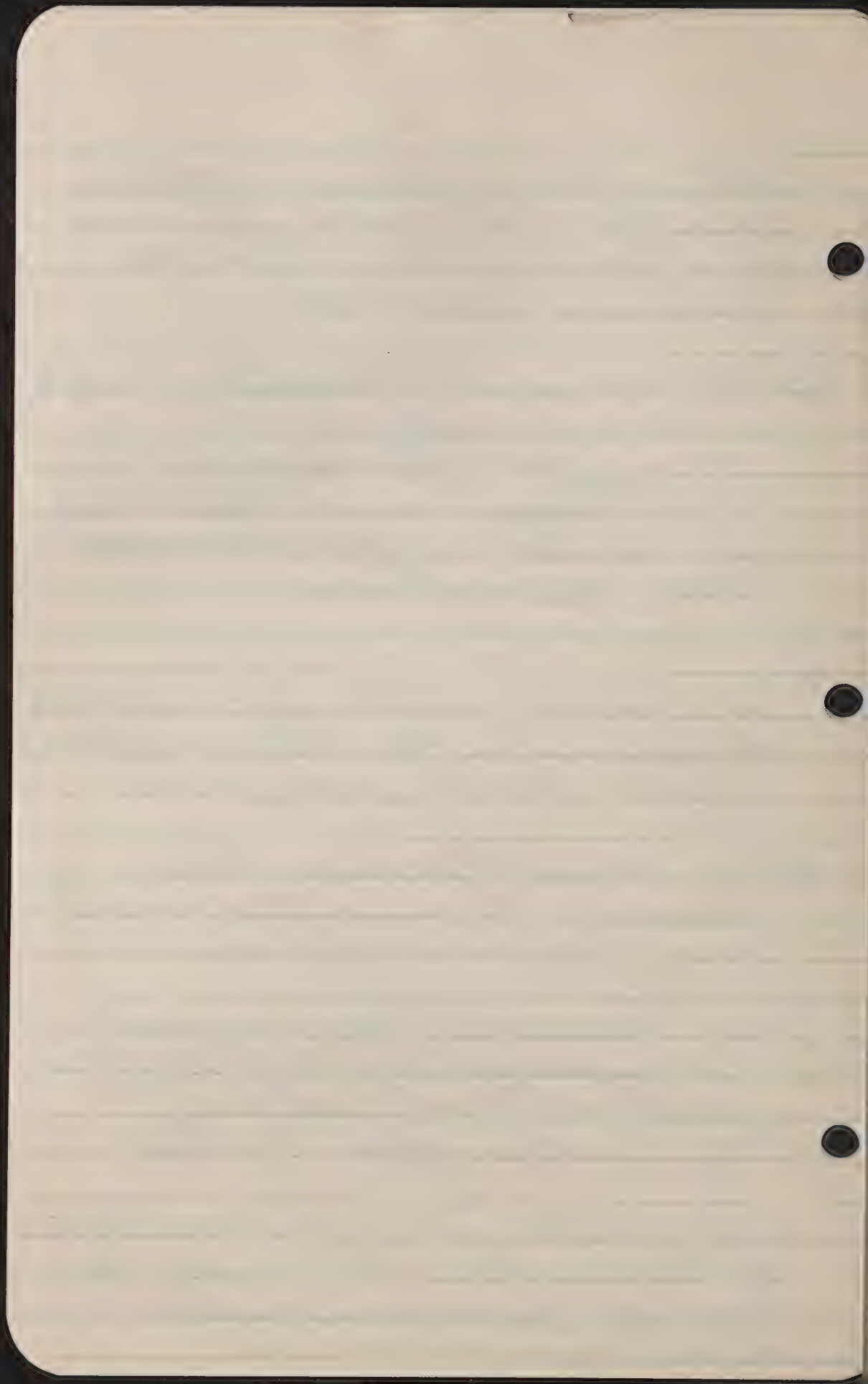
P. 30) Report of Meeting Nov 23, 1829
deciding on questions about
Pews - Nos 1, 6, 9, 24, 61 & 84

P. 31 Parish Records (1826)
covering procedures regard-
ing purchase of pews.

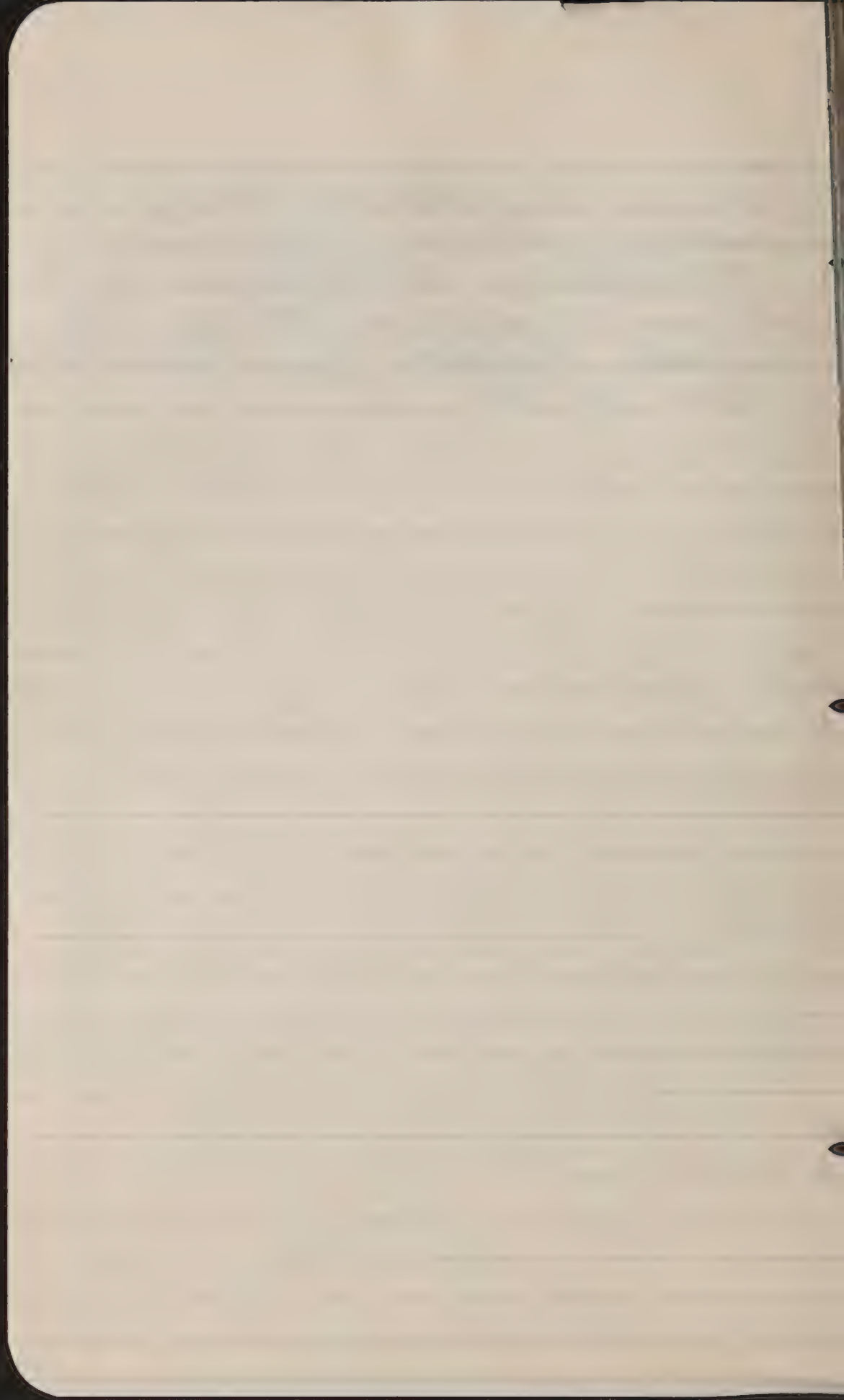
P. 32) Record of plans made
to finance the 1829 Building
and list of contributors.

P. 33) Continuation of list

P. 34) Meeting to decide questions
of hiring Rev Mr Turner for
another year and whether to
stop the singing School



Treasurer's reports, From
back of Volume beginning
1826 Turn the volume back
to front & upside down to
locate reports from July 1829 -
Dec. 25, 1831



Parish Records - 1826

page 3

Barnstable Jff To William Myrick of Orleans
in said County Greeting

You are hereby required in the name
of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to
Notify and warn the Inhabitants of Said
Town qualified by Law to vote in Town
affairs to meet at the Congregational
Meeting House in said Town on Monday
the sixteenth day of January Instant at
one of the o'clock in the afternoon to form
themselves into a Society for the Supporte of
the Gospel by Choosing a Clerk, a Treasurer,
a Committee and all other Necessary Society
Officers. Given under my hand
and Seal this Seventh day of January A.D. 1826

Isaac Sparrow Justice peace

Pursuant to the within warrant I have
Notified the Inhabitants of Orleans as
within directed to meet at the time and
place and for the purpose within mentioned
William Myrick D & S

The Inhabitants being assembled agreeable to the
warrant Chose Mr. Hezekiah Higgins Moderator
Proceeded to Choose Parish officers as follows Viz
Gideon S. Snow Clerk and Treasurer
Daniel Comings, Thomas Higgins, Josiah Rogers Apefons
Jonathan Freeman Collector
Recorded Gideon S. Snow Parish Clerk

This is a copy of the first entry in Parish Records - 1826

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Barnstable ff To William Myrick of Orleans
in said County Greeting
you are hereby required in the name of the Common
wealth of Massachusetts to Notify and warn the Inhabitants
of said Town qualified by Law to vote in Town affairs
to meet at the Congregational Meeting house in said
Town on Monday the Sixteenth day of January Instant
at one of the Clock in the afternoon to form themselves
into a Society for the Support of the Gospel by Choosing
a Clerk a Treasurer a Committee and all other necessary
Society Officers Given under My hand and Seal this
Seventh day of January A D 1826

Isaac Sparrow Justice peace

Pursuant to the within warrant I have Notified the
Inhabitants of Orleans as within directed to Meet at the
time and place and for the purpose within Mentioned

William Myrick D S

The Inhabitants being assembled agreeable to the warrant
Chose Mr Herkiah Higgins Moderator Proceeded to Chuse
Parish officers as follows Viz

Gedron S Snow Clerk and Treasurer

Daniel Comings
Thomas Higgins } Assessors
Josiah Rogers

Jonathan Freeman Collector

Recorded Gedron S Snow Parish Clerk

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Barnstable ff To Joseph Smith of Orleans in Said County
you are hereby required in the Name of the Commonwealth of
Massachusetts to satisfy and warn the Male Members of the
Reformed Methodist Society so called in Said Town and all who
are Desirous of uniting themselves in Such a Society who are
qualified by Law to Vote in Town affairs to Meet at the house
called the Methodist Meeting house in Orleans on Monday
the thirtieth day of January Instant at Ten O'clock in the
fore noon to Choose a Moderator a Clerk and all Such
Officers and Transact all Such business as then may be
thought proper agreeable to a request from Williams
Smith and Nine others to me directed

Given under my hand and Seal this Twenty first day of
January A.D. Eighteen Hundred and Twenty Six

Richard Sparrow Justice peace
make return of this warrant with doings hereon on or
before Said day of Meeting to my Self R S

Orleans January 30th 1826

Pursuant to the within warrant I have satisfied and
warned the Male Members of the within Named Society
and all who wish to Unite in the Same who are qualified
as is therein Expressed to Meet at the time and place
and for the purposes within mentioned

Joseph Smith

the Society being assembled agreeable to the warrant
Elder John Sparrow Moderator proceeded to Choose Society
officers as follows

Nathaniel Crosby Clerk and Treasurer

Williams Smith

Joseph Smith

John Young

} Assessors

Leans Rogers Collector

from Parish Records - 1826 - page 4 covers
the warrant for a meeting of the Male Members of
the Reformed Methodist Society.

Request that a warrant be issued to call a
meeting... "to form a Religious Society by the name
of the First Universalist Society in Orleans"

To Simon Hingman Esqr
one of the Justices of the peace for the County of
Barnstable We the under signed Inhabitants of the Town of
Orleans request you to Issue a warrant to Sumone of the
under signed to call a meeting to the Dwelling house of
Simon Higgins in said Orleans on Monday the 30th Instant
at one O'clock P.M. to form our selves with others into a
Religious Society by the name of the First Universalist
Society in Orleans by Choosing a Clerk and other Society
officers as the Law Directs and to act on other matters that
may then and there be thought proper

Orleans January 18th 1826

Edmund Crosby
Seth Hendricks
David Taylor Junr
Franklin Crosby
Abial Crosby
Edward Barber
Nathaniel Knowles
John Gould
Simon Higgins
Warren A. Hendrick
Sparrow Horton
John Stewart

Was Christmas Day just a business day? See below.

To Israel Linnell Collector¹⁶ of the Congregational Society in Orleans
Greetings

you are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the male Inhabitants of said society qualified by law to vote in Society affairs to meet and assemble at the Congregational Meeting house in Orleans on Monday the fourteenth day of January next at one of the O'clock in the Afternoon to act on the following articles Namely

- 1st to Choose a Moderator

- 2nd to see if the Parish Desire the Revd Mr Johnson to Continue with them as their Pastor

- 3rd to see if the Parish will fulfill the Engagement originally entered into in regard to Mr Johnsons Salary and will pay the same according to Stipulation

- 4th if the Parish are unwilling to fulfill said engagement to see if they will call a mutual Council to Decide on the terms of Mr Johnsons Discession and seperation from the Church and people and choose a Committee of the Church and parish to unite with Mr Johnson in Carrying said vote into effect

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doing thereon to the society Clerk at the time and place above mentioned Given under our hands at Orleans this twenty fifth day of December A D 1827

Thomas Higgins

Daniel Comings

Elisha Cole

Assessors

Pursuant to the within written I have notified and warned the male Inhabitants therein Expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein named

Israel Linnell Collector

Deacon Jonathan Higgins says of Rev. Daniel Johnson (born in
Bridgewater, Mass. + graduate of Brown) "He continued... for 20 years,
when he was dismissed at his own request."

The Inhabitants of the society being assembled agreeable
to the warrant

Chose Mr William Mynick Moderator

Voted not to act on the Second Clause in the warrant

Voted not to pay Mr Johnsons ^{salary} agreeable to the
Stipitation

Voted to meet Mr Johnson in Council

Voted to Chose a Committee of ten five of the Church
and five of the society Chose

Dea Judah Rogers

Jonathan Mayo

Dea James Rogers

William Mynick

Israel Linnell

Church Committee

Abner Mayo

Israel Rogers

Daniel Comings

Thomas Higgins

Heremiah Higgins

Society Committee

Gideon S Snow society Clerk

Warrant for Annual Meeting on March 9, 1829

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To the Collector of the Congregational Society in the Town of Orleans
Greeting

you are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Male Inhabitants of said Society qualified by Law to vote in society affairs to meet and assemble at the Congregational Meeting House in Orleans on Monday the Ninth day of March next at one o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles Viz

1st To Choose a Moderator

2nd To Choose Society Officers for the ensuing year

hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Society Clerk at the time and place above mentioned Given under our Hand at Orleans this Twenty third day of February AD 1829

Daniel Comings }
Thomas Higgins } Assessors of
Elisha Cole } said society

The Inhabitants of the society being assembled agreeable to the warrant

Choose Capt Daniel Comings Moderator

Proceeded to Choose Society Officers as follows Viz
Gideon S Snow Clerk and Treasurer

Daniel Comings }
Thomas Higgins } Committee
Elisha Cole }

Daniel Comings }
Elisha Cole } Assessors
Thomas Higgins }

Chapman Leabury Collector

This meeting voted on the questions of a new building, its dimensions and the sale of pews

To the Collector of the 28 Congregational Society in Orleans
you are hereby required in the name of ^{Greeting} the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Male Inhabitants of
said Society qualifiable by Law to vote in Society affairs to
meet and assemble at the Congregational Meeting House
in said Orleans on Thursday the twenty fifth Instant
at three o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles
1st to Choose a Moderator

2nd to see if the society will vote to take down the old
Meeting House

3rd and also to see if the society will authorize the assessors
of said Society to tender the Sums at which the pews
were appraised to their respective owners

4th and also to see if the society will reconsider the vote
already passed determining the dimensions of the new
house and vote to build the new house sixty six and
an half feet in Length and forty one in width
Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with
your doings there on to the society Clerk at the time and
place above mentioned Given under our hand and
Seal at Orleans this Eighteenth day of June A.D. 1829

Daniel Comings } Assessors
Elisha Cole } of said Society

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and
warned the Male Inhabitants of the Congregational Society
as within directed

Orleans June 25th 1829 Chapman Leabury Collector

The Inhabitants of the society being assembled agreeable
to the warrant Choose Capt D Comings Moderator

Voted to ^{take} Down the Old Meeting House

Voted for the assessors to tender the Money to the pew
holders not belonging to the society

Voted to reconsider the vote passed at a former meeting
respecting the size of the new house

Voted for the size of the new house to be 66½ feet in
Length and as wide as the timber will admit

Voted at this meeting (Oct. 26, 1829) to raise money for "the Support of the Gospel" and voted NOT to build a yard around the Meeting house.

To the Constable of the Congregational Society in Orleans
Greeting

you are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Male Inhabitants of said Society qualified by Law to vote in Society affairs to meet and assemble at the Meeting house of said Society on Monday the Twenty sixth instant October at two o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles

1st to Choose a Moderator

2nd to see if the Society will raise a Sum of Money for the Support of the Gospel the ensuing year

3rd to see if the Society will vote to have a yard built around the Meeting house at the expense of the society Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings there on to the Clerk of said Society at the time and place above mentioned

Given under our Hand and Seal at Orleans this ninth day of October AD 1829

Elisha Cole

Daniel Comings

Thomas Higgins

Assessors of said society

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the male inhabitants of the Congregational society as within directed

Orleans October 26 1829

Chapman Leabury Collector

The Inhabitants of the society being assembled agreeable to the warrant

Choose Capt Daniel Comings Moderator

Voted to raise the sum of nine hundred dollars for the Support of the Gospel and other society Expenses

Voted not to act on the third article in the warrant one third part of the above Sum to be paid on the first day of March next the other two thirds at the End of the year 1830

This meeting, held on November 23, 1829, decided questions about pews. Nos. 1, 6, 9, 24, 61 and 84 were "taken by the Society." (also, see deeds)

To the Chairman Seabury Collector of the Congregational Society in Orleans

Greeting

you are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the male inhabitants of said Society qualified by law to vote in Society affairs to meet and assemble at the Meeting House in said Society on Monday the twenty third instant at one o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles

For

- 1st to Choose a Moderator
- 2nd for the Society to take their free pews
- 3rd to agree on the Conditions and regulations of the Sales of pews in the Meeting House
- 4th to see what the Society will do respecting the Supply of the pulpit when the Rev Mr Sumner's time is out
- 5th to see what the Society will do respecting a Commencement of a Sute with Capt S Horton for the Collection of his taxes as Guardians for the Children of Timothy Doane per Decree

hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Clerk of said Society at the time and place above mentioned Given under our hands at Orleans this fourteenth day of November A.D. 1829

Elisha Cole
Thomas Huggins
Daniel Comings

Assessors of
said Society

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the male Inhabitants as within Directed Chapman Seabury Constable

Orleans 23rd November 1829

The inhabitants of the Society being assembled agreeable to the warrant Choose Capt Daniel Comings Moderator
Voted that the Society take Six pews For Nos one Six Nine Twenty four Sixty one and Eighty four
Voted that the money for the pews be paid in thirty days after the Sale of the pews

Adjourned to the Second Monday in December at
Nine o'clock A.M.

Parish Records - 1826 - This page covers procedure
re: purchase of pews.

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The Inhabitants being assembled agreeable to the adjournment
Voted to reconsider the vote passed that the money for the pews
Should be paid in thirty days after the Sale then Voted as follows
Article 1st all persons bidding off a pew in the Congregational
Meeting house Except those to whom the house is indebted

shall pay down ten percent as Earnest and may defer
the remainder twelve months and at the expiration of
twelve months ~~pay~~ if they ^{pay} the sum at which the pew
was bidden off and the appraisement money and six per
centum first deducting the ten per centum which was paid
at the sale then the Clerk of the Society for the time being
shall give the person a deed of Conveyance but if the person so
bidding off any pews and not paying there for as aforesaid at
the expiration of twelve months shall forfeit his Earnest
money and the pew shall be the societies the same as if it had
not been bidden off

Article 2nd any person not belonging to the Congregational
Society in Orleans who may wish to join said Society
may have the same right to bid off a pew or pews or parts
of pews as those belonging to said Society but not to have
a deed till they shall certify to the Clerk of the said Society
that they have so joined said Society and any person not
belonging to said Congregational Society and not joining as
afore said shall not have a right to bid off any pew
in said Societies house nor any person belonging to said
Society shall not bid off any pew or pews for any person
not belonging to said society

This page covers the plan made to finance the 1829 building.

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The Subscribers agree to take the number of Shares set against our names for the purpose of erecting a new Meeting House in Orleans for the Congregational Society (of said Orleans) to stand on the site of the old meeting house the number of Shares to be one hundred & twenty five Shares at twenty dollars per Share and ten dollars on each Share to be paid on or before the first day of next March to purchase the materials for building and for the money so advanced we are to receive ten percent Interest when the pieces are sold the building of said Meeting house to Commence on or as soon as suitable Lumber can be obtained and suitably seasoned for the purpose the Superintendence of the building to be in the care of a building agent or Committee to be Chosen by the society or the Subscribers the Dimensions of the house to be 42 feet wide and 65 feet Long and to stand on the Site of the old meeting house and near the middle of the new meeting house at Truro: when the meeting house shall be finished a Committee to be Chosen for that purpose shall place a value on each piece according to their location so as to Cover all the Cost of Building and the Society to take their free pieces at this appraisement and the rest of the pieces to be sold for a Cash and all the surplus money that may arrive from the Sale of pieces thus Conducted shall belong to the society and be at their disposal but if all the pieces shall not Sell for money sufficient to Cover the Cost of building then we agree to bear our proportion of the loss each one in proportion to his subscription

Daniel Comings ten Shares	Thomas Freeman one Share
William Myrick five Shares	Samuel Higgins one Share
Thomas Higgins four Shares	Dea James Rogers one Share
Elisha Cole three Shares	Davis Rogers one Share
Joseph Smith two Shares	Benjamin Linnell one Share
Waters Taylor one Share	Joah Linnell one Share
Ebenezer Young one Share	Abner Doane nine Shares
Heman Snow one Share	Abner Hoppers one Share
Josiah H. Snow one Share	Edmund Snow one Share
Jonathan Young one Share	Moses Snow two Shares
Joshua H. Sparrow two Shares	Joshua Freeman one Share
Josiah Sparrow two Shares	James Freeman one Share
James L. Sparrow two Shares	Elisha Snow one Share
James Taylor one Share	Thankful Doane five Shares
John H. Higgins three Shares	Freeman Hopkins one Share
Joah Linnell two Shares	Gideon Snow two Shares
Solomon Heard one Share	Jonathan Freeman two Shares
Isa May one Share	Elijah Knowles one Share
Joseph H. Atwood one Share	Chapman Leburg one Share
Barna S. Snow one Share	Samuel Mayo one Share
Leonard Higgins one Share	James Smith two Shares
Jepe Kenney one Share	Robert Mayo one Share
Ephraim Cole one Share	Joah Doane one Share
John Sarah Cole one Share	

This list is a continuation of that on page 32.

Davis Hopkins one Share 33

Levi young one Share

Joseph L Rogers one Share

Isaac Rogers one Share

Jonathan Twining one Share

John Myrick one Share

John Doane one Share

Richard Sparrow one Share

Heremiah Higgins one Share

Abner Mayo one Share

Esener Rogers one Share

Obed Crosby one Share

Benjamin Seabury ten Shares

Temple Linnell two Shares

William P Myrick one Share

Judah Rogers — one Share

Eleahum Higgins two Shares

Seth Rogers one Share

Daniel Higgins half Share

Samuel Sherman one Share

Winslow L Knowles two Shares

Uriah Rogers one Share

Russell Snow one Share

Asariah Snow one & half Share

Joseph H Mayo one Share

Shall we hire Rev. Turner for another year? Stop the singing school?

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To Chapman Seabury Collector of the Congregational society
in Orleans

Greeting

you are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of
Massachusetts to notify and warn the male Inhabitants of said
society ^{qualify} by Law to ^{vote} in Society affairs to meet and assemble
at the Meeting house in said society on Monday the twenty fifth
Instant at one o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following
articles

1st To Choose a Moderator

2nd To see whether the society will vote to hire the Revd
Mr Turner any longer if not to see if they will choose
a Committee to agree with another

3rd by request to see if the society will put a Stop to the
Singing Schools in said societies Meeting house on evenings
by passing a vote or votes to that effect

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with
your doings thereon to the Clerk of said society at the time
and place above mentioned

Given under our hands in Orleans this thirteenth day
of January A 1830

Elisha Cole

Thomas Higgins

} officers of said
society

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned
the male inhabitants of the Congregational society as within
directed Orleans 25 January 1830 Chapman Seabury Collector

The Inhabitants of the society being assembled agreeable to
the warrant Choose Mr Thomas Higgins Moderator
Voted to hire Mr Turner again for twelve months
if he will consent for that time

Voted to stop Singing schools in the Meeting house on Sunday
evenings

Voted to have Singing schools in the Meeting house on week
day evening on particular occasions by Liberty of the officers
or Committee

Gideon S Snow society Clerk

Treasurer's report from back of volume beginning 1826 - (Turn the volume back to front and upside down to locate Treasurer's Reports from July 1829 - Dec. 25, 1831)

July 20. Received of William Myrick Collector \$ 23 = 00

1829
October 10 1829 Received of William Myrick Collector - - 18 = 00

October 19th 1829 this day settled up with Gideon S Snow Society Treasurer and find that he has paid out Sixty four Dollars and sixteen cts more than he has received in

Elisha Cole } Society,
Thomas Higgins } Assessors.

Dec 10th Received of William Myrick Collector - 30 = 00
1829

Dec 15 Received of William Myrick Collector - 54 = 14

Dec 28 Received of William Myrick Collector - 76 = 87

Dec 30th Received of William Myrick Collector 140 = 00

Jan 2nd 1830 Received of William Myrick Collector 120 = 62

Received of William Myrick Collector - 58 = 25

Jan 23rd 1830 Received of William Myrick Collector - 29 = 24

March 15th 1830

this day settled with Gideon S Snow Society Treasurer and received all the money he had received in

Daniel Comings }
Elisha Cole } Society
Assessors

July 27 1830 Received of William Myrick Collector - 10 = 00

October 25 1830 Received of William Myrick 5 = 00

Nov 1st 1830 Received of William Myrick - 4 = 00

Dec 1st 1830 Received of William Myrick - 6 = 62 1/2

Jan 14th 1831 Received of William Myrick Collector - 2 = 25

October 1831 Received of William Myrick - 1 = 58

31st October 1831 settled up with Gideon S Snow and received all the money he has received in as Treasurer

Elisha Cole
Daniel Comings

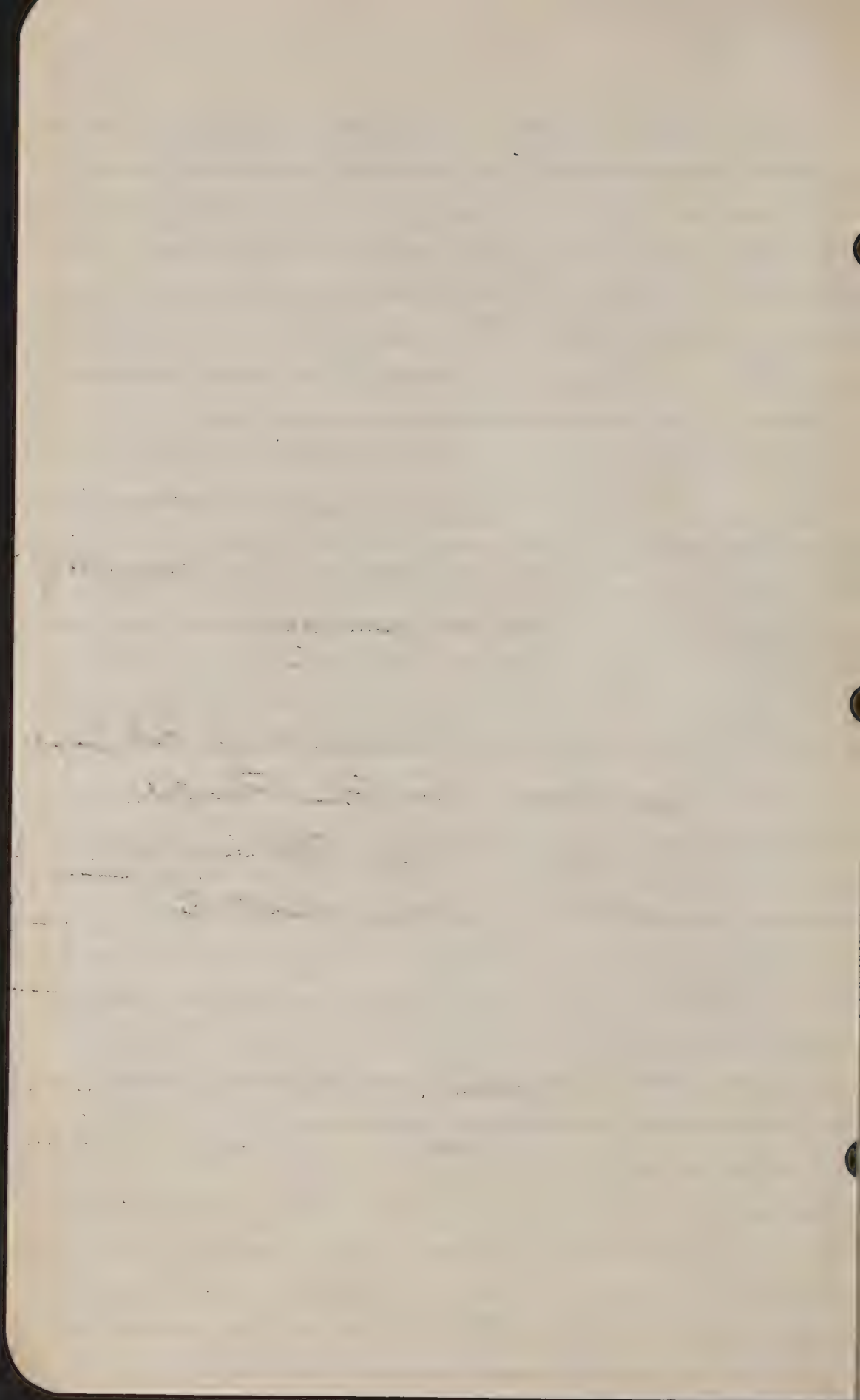
Dec 25 1831 Received of William Myrick Collector - - = 72

his premium - - - - - 20
\$ 600 = 29

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Notes from one role of ?
dated Sept 22, 1900 - July 12, 1902



Altogether = 100 - 8 = 92

- Sept. 22, 1900

(Pres. McKinley vs. Wm. Jennings Bryan - primaries just over)
"No: President McKinley will not avail himself
of the privilege of talking his opinions into a
graphophone. He will leave that circus performance
to Candidate Bryan, who ought to make a success of
it in view of his long practice in talking through
his hat."

(1)

Ivers & Pont - The Piano Fire Sale

Royal Baking Powder - Absolutely Pure

effective June 10 - 1900

Then off. week printed winterschule.

Memorial window - gift of Mrs. Andrew C. Wheelwright^{of Boston} - given to the
Union meeting house in the Cranberry Isles, Maine - "In loving
memory of Charles Elliott Harwood, Feb. 17, 1894 - March 22, 1897
(arrived as pastor) (death in Orleans)

"The children of Herbert Higgins, who have been quite sick, are all on the mending hand."

"Mrs. D. J. Cummings, who has been dangerously ill with congestion of the brain, is more comfortable, although the case has now developed into typhoid fever, of which there have been symptoms from the first. Miss Alice Linnell is with her, as nurse."

"Mrs. Eliza Harding has closed her house and will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. E.E. Penniman, in Dorchester."

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MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY
AND
ZOOLOGY
OF THE
CITY OF LONDON
1875

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Oct. 6, 1900 - "Quite a number have attended the Buxton Fair"

"Mr. Leon Ryther, our new High school teacher, has secured rooms at L. H. Delano's and table board at Geo. Nickerson's."

Oct. 20, 1900 "Orleans - At the request of Supt. Chase, the pastors of the several churches in town will deliver special sermons on the subject of "Education". Rev. N. S. Hill of the Universalist church has prepared his for tomorrow."

"The Boston Star company, with the talented Artton Barjo, Mandolin & Guitar Club, assisted by Miss Grace Santorn, a well-known elocutionist of Boston, and Miss Ina Bagnall, the popular banjo and mandolin soloist, will entertain the public at Snow's hall on Friday evening, Oct. 26. Edison's great invention, the bioscope, with the wonderful moving pictures, will also be one of the features of the evening's entertainment."

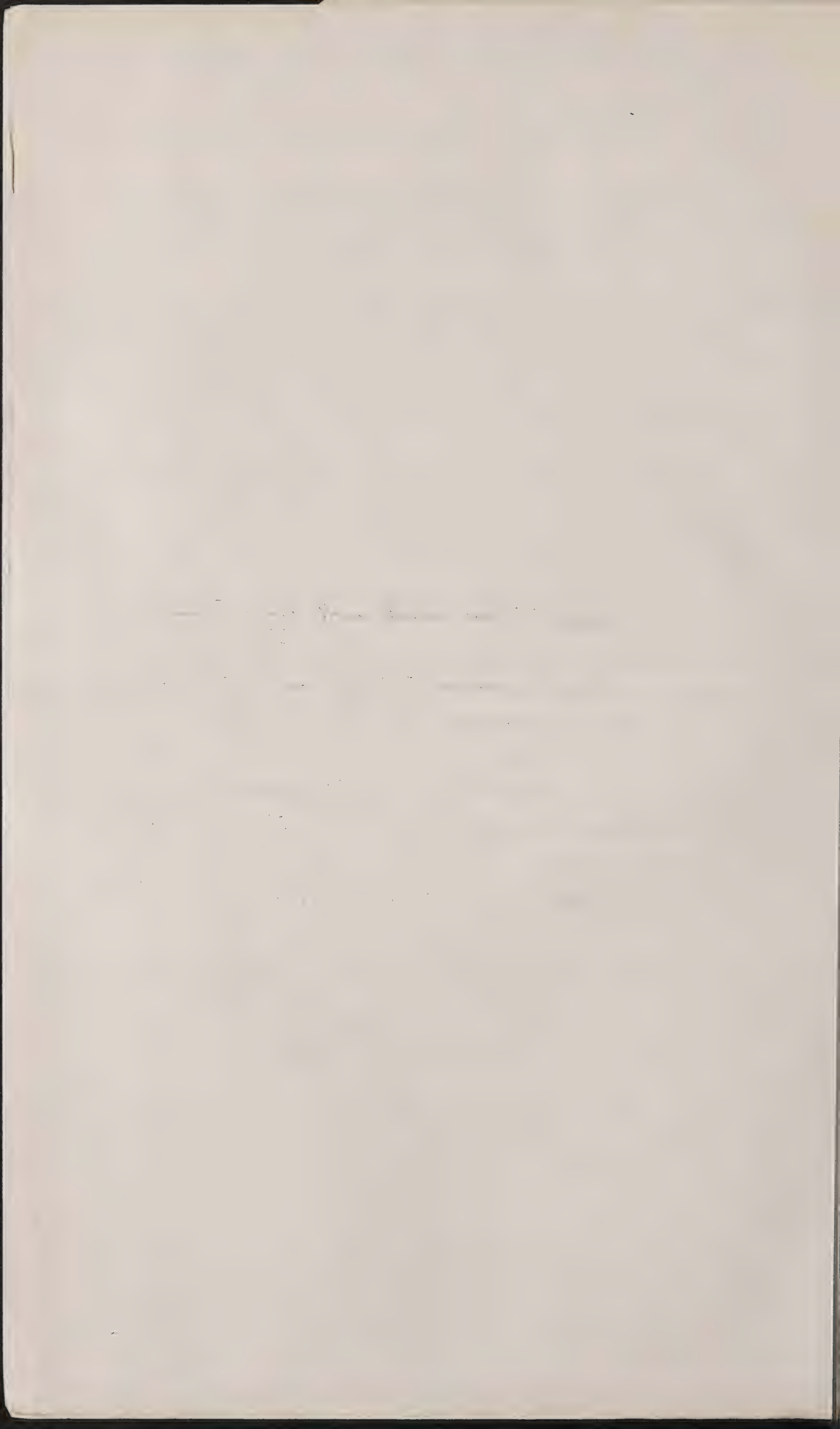
Oct. 27, 1900 "East Orleans - Dr. A. D. Taylor has rented the lower part of the late F. S. Newcombe's house and has gone to look for some one to keep house for him. Whether he is going to get married or not, remains to be told."

"One week from next Tuesday is election. Three weeks from that date the annual Barnstable County Conference of churches meets in Orleans Tuesday and Wednesday."

"S. K. Sears's - Harwichport Golf Capes & Jackets
Skirt selling for \$2.98 - double face heavy Oxford, mixed goods, worth \$4.00"

"Orleans - Dr. A. D. Hatch has rented the lower part of the house of the late Capt. T. S. Newcombe. Mrs. Godfrey and Miss Mattie Godfrey will occupy the second story of the house for a time."

by Dec. 15, 1900 - "Dr. & Mrs. A. D. Hatch arrived on the a.m. train Tuesday & are occupying their new home.
"Provisions & other necessities are extended."



Yarmouth Register

Nov. 10, 1900 - "It Is McKinley" -

Note: Often on the front page - along with ads (clothing) is a
column The Religious World - cf. Nov. 24, 1900 -

Dec. 1, 1900 "Thanksgiving services were held in the Congregational church on
Thursday morning, a very interesting service being delivered by the
pastor, Rev. E. J. Rackett."

"Owing to the severe storm last Sunday, no services were held
at any of the churches. Three ladies only braved the elements
to attend the Congregational church, but were obliged to return home
with no sermon and no company."

Dec. 8, 1900 "E. E. Hurd caught 25 fine codfish in the bay on Thanksgiving Day."

Dec. 29, 1900 Crosby - Snow married at 2 pm on Christmas Day in
the Congregational parsonage - by Rev. E. J. Rackett.

Chester Irving Crosby (cousin of O. W.) & Miss Flora Belle Snow
who "wore a handsome travelling suit of castor shade with
hat to match with blue trimmings" To live in Chelsea

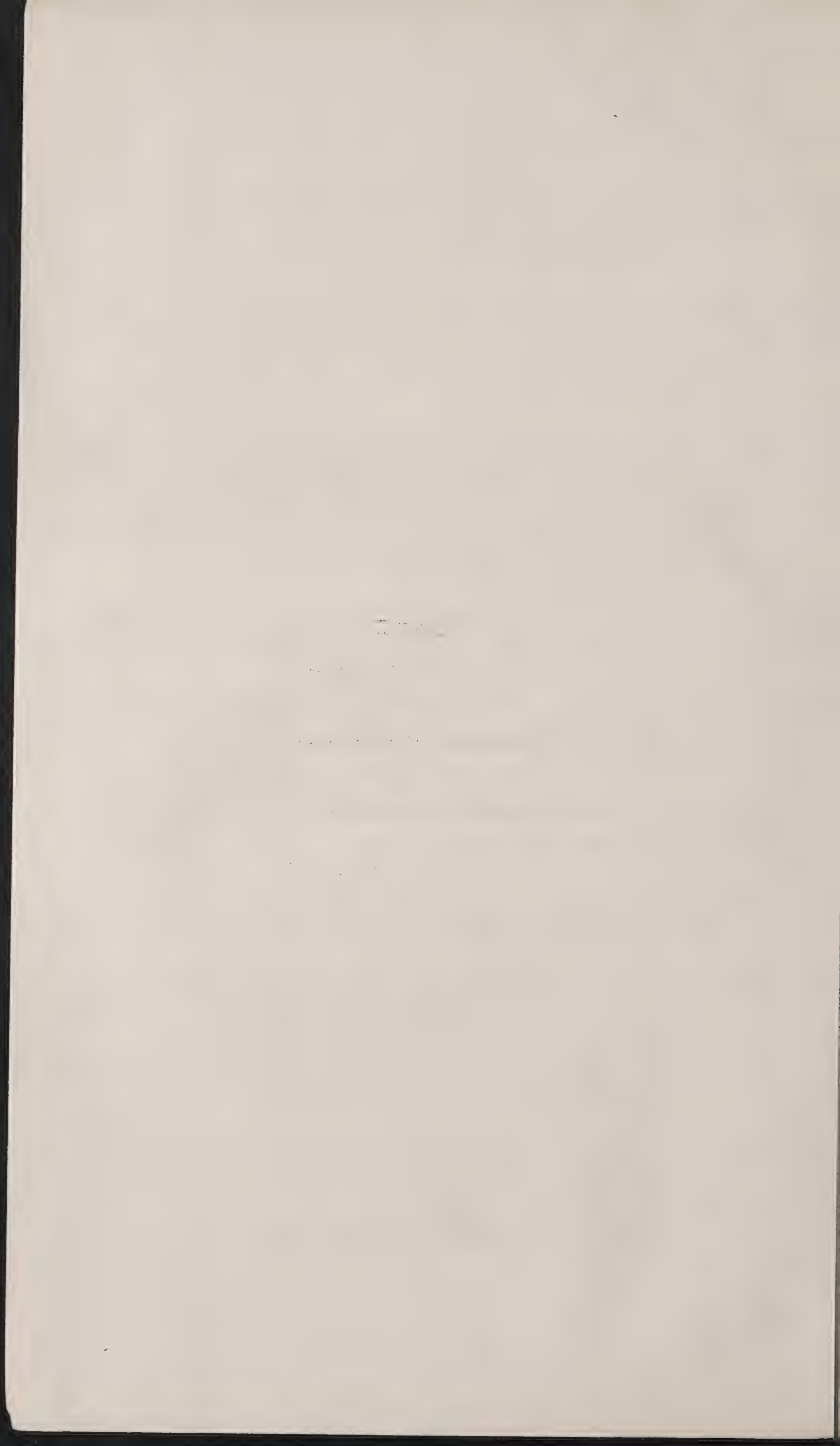
Mr. & Mrs. D. L. Young spent Christmas at their son's in Fitchburg.

"There seems to be a contest among pork-raisers for the past few
weeks, to see who can produce the most pork in the shortest
space of time. The latest record breaker is the hog of Freeman Snow,
which at 8 months old weighed 400 pounds."

Jan. 5, 1900 (Saturday) Miss Kate Rackett returned to Mt. Holyoke
college Wednesday morning.

For lead article see next sheet -

Probably
Yes
see next
page



Jan 5, 1901 Yes — I double checked.

The Yarmouth Register

January 5, 1901 → (True beginning of the 20th Century)

Orleans

Rally & Roll-Call

The Rally & roll-call of the church and society at the Congregational, on Tuesday, the first day of the 20th century, was an occasion long to be remembered by those who participated. The call, meeting with such a general response, suggested the query of many. "Would it not be well to have such calls oftener than once in a century from all our churches?" It might tend to awaken a train of thought long dulled and sleeping.

The following program was listened to by a large audience:

Part I

Scripture reading and prayer

Anthem

Roll-call of church members

Hymn

Roll-call of society members

Part II — Reports

Anthem

Church

O. W. Crosby

Sunday school

Chester W. Crosby

S.S. Missionary Society

O. W. Crosby

Hymn

Y. P. S. C. E.

Miss May S. Mayo

Ladies Social Circle

Mrs. S. F. Edgerly

Original hymn (Air — "Auld Lang Syne")

"We're gathered in these sacred halls,
That long have heard God's praise
To make the echoes once again,
In these New Century days.

plus 4 more verses —

Part III — Social In Vestry New Year & century greeting from all to all, where everyone was presented with a 20th century souvenir."

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"The ladies of the Social Circle of the Congregational Church will hold their annual fair & supper at the Town hall, Feb. 18. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Admission 35¢. Should the weather prove stormy on that evening, it will occur the evening following."

Feb. 16, 1901

"Orleans - Our Beach Road (editorial)

... now that we shall soon have a continuous state and town macadam road from the Brewster line to the Atlantic ocean beach, ---"

April 6, 1901

"Orleans - Miss Kate Rickett of Mt. Holyoke College is spending her vacation with her parents, Rev. & Mrs. E. J. Rickett."

April 20, 1901

"Orleans - Mr. Sam'l E. Mays is making arrangements to have his house heated with steam heat."

In every issue of the Yarmouth Register ^{in 1901} Orleans column there is "Dr. Stone, dentist, will be at his Orleans office every Tuesday excepting the first Tuesday of each month. Pure methyle, vapor and gas. All branches of dental work performed in a thorough manner, including gold capping and bridging."

"Orleans - The last of a series of entertainments and sociels was given at the Congregational church Monday evening. A large number were present and a very pleasant evening enjoyed."

Note: Universalist & M.E. publicity gives much detail - who sang or recited & what the title was - in this same issue!

June 1901 -

Advertisement

Mrs. R. H. Harris, Dealer in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry & Fancy Goods -

Spectacles warranted to fit - Subscriptions received for any newspaper or magazine - Yarmouthport - husb. to repair clocks



The Yarmouth Register for Aug. 10, 1901 see top of following sheet

Aug. ^{Saturday} 17, 1901 → "The musical & literary concert given at Town Hall, Thursday evening (postponed from Monday evening on account of storm) was greatly appreciated by a large & interested audience -

Aug. 17, 1901 Orleans - The Barge Concert -- postponed on account of storm - will be held at the Congregational Church, commencing at 7³⁰. In addition to selections by the choir, solos will be given by Misses ^{Ethel Gibson, Edna Young} ~~Susan Heywood~~, Mary Moody & Florence Hopkins; readings by Miss Susan Heywood and Miss Lucy A. Snow; violin solo by Mr. Theodore Lentz; vocal duets, Mrs. Gould & Miss Moody."

Sept. 14, 1901 East Orleans "It is reported that 150 persons from the city spent the summer months in the little village of Tonsit, near Nasat Harbor."

Sept. 21, 1901 The Late William McKinley - picture - & long article re: his career

Sept. 28, 1901 Universalist Church held special service ^{in memory} of the late lamented President Mr. Hill the pastor - his mother a Quaker - back to Mayflower stock -

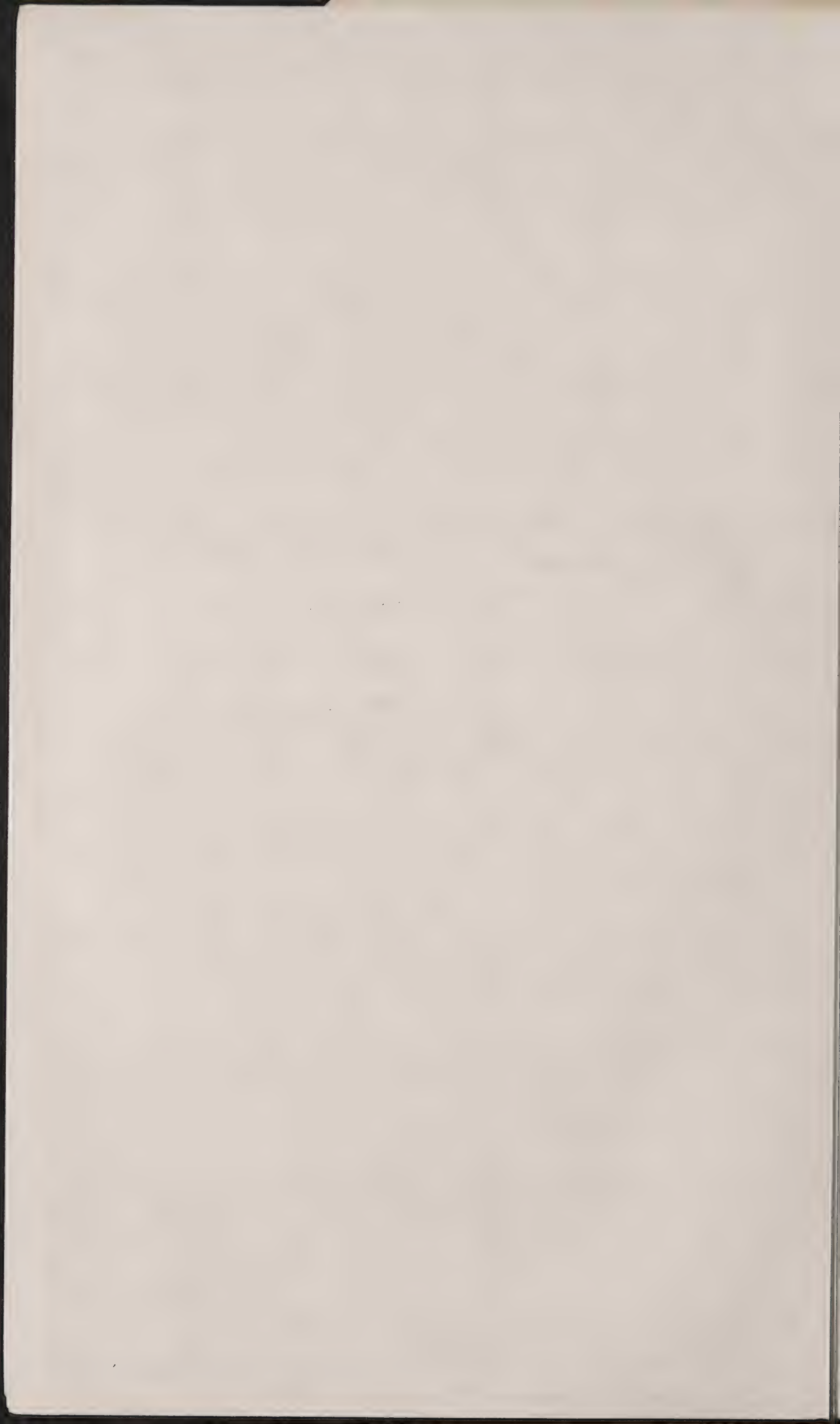
In every issue - for years - One ^{4 long columns} page devoted to Talmage Sermon (p. 3) Copyright, 1901 Louis Klopach, N.Y. Next to it the ad for Marble & Granite - Corvett Proportions Orville W. Crosby, Orleans

Oct. 5, 1901 "Edwin Kenrick and housekeeper and Miss Maizy have gone East Orleans a journey on their wheels up the country."

Oct. 5, 1901 WCTU in Provincetown to hold a rummage sale - Long articles re: pronouncing Roosevelt (Roeyvelt) & giving his family background & training & experience -

Nov. 2, 1901 - The front page is ALL ADS except for 1 column & that divided into The Senatorial Campaign - & West Dennis ^{terms} Food → Cobb, Aldrich & Co - Boston - Clothing { Hyannis Brewster Harwich port

Ministers Mr. Rickett & Mr. Hill apparently worked easily together e.g. double funeral of 2 electricians from Orleans killed in Phila. while working - a/c bldg. caught fire - They were on 8th floor & jumped - ^{Uncle & nephew} ^{Henrie Ashburn Sparrow - uncle} ^{Charles Emerson}



The Yarmouth Register

Dates
covered
by
microfilm
rolls

Aug. 13, 1898 to 9/15/1900
878 pages -
Jan. 25, 1896 to Aug. 6, 1898
1078 pages
May 27, 1893 to Jan. 18, 1896
1118 pages

From Boston, Cobb, Aldrich & Co. advertisement.

Rye whiskey \$2.00 per gal.

Old Rye 3.00 " "

Very Old Rye 3.50 " "

Extra Old Rye 6.00 " "

Bombon \$3-6⁰⁰ on same scale

California sherry, port, angelica & catawba - \$1.00

Imported Crown Sherry, Very Old \$4.50

Freight allowed or pre paid on orders of reasonable amt.

"Elmer F. Chandler is in the employ of J. E. Taylor, expressman."

"Mr. Oliver Doane is treating his house to a coat of paint, J. A. Knowles of Eastham doing the work."

"Orville W. Crosby has been on a trip to Buffalo, taking in the exposition and Niagara Falls."

"Our esteemed townsman, J. H. Cummings, Esq. is to be congratulated upon his election as representative of the 3^d district."

Mr. J. E. Taylor & Mrs. Hill (wife of Universalist minister) sang a duet at funeral of Capt. Joseph Taylor - (whose wife had died within the month preceding.)

Orleans - Young Man Promoted

"It is very gratifying to hear . . ."

Robert B. Young, assistant treasurer of the Fitchburg Trust Company's bank, closes his services there today, and Monday will enter the Leominster National Bank as teller

"On account of the severity of the storm no services were held in our churches last Sunday."

"Union Thanksgiving service were held at the Congregational church on Thursday evening, commencing at 7³⁰ o'clock. Rev. Mr. Phillips of the M.E. Church gave the address, Mr. Rockett and Mrs. Hill assisting in the service."

Nov. 16, 1901

Nov. 23, 1901

Nov. 30, 1901

caten
subjoining



Dec. 7, 1901

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Outline of recommendations in Pres. Roosevelt's message to Congress -

"Orleans - T. F. Ellis is having a blacksmith's shop built on the cross road leading past the bake shop.

"Joshua Kilburn arrived home from Gay Head life-saving station on the 2nd inst. and reported for duty at Cahoon's Hollow life-saving station on the 3^d."

"Charles F. Mayo, who has been caring for Mr. Lewis Cole, Eastham, for several weeks, has returned home."

"The top of the mill belonging to Mr. C. C. Merritt, blew off in the northeast gale of Nov. 24."

"J. F. Eldredge lost one of the fine black horses belonging to his span, from wind colic, on Saturday night, Nov. 30."

Dec. 21, 1901

"East Orleans - The churches were thinly attended last Sunday, owing to the severe rain storm -"

"Orleans - Owing to the severe storm of last Sunday, no services were held at any of our churches -"

"Capt. Alfred Paine has taken command of the bark James Rice, which sailed from New York Dec. 2 for New Zealand with a general cargo."

"Squid have lately been shipped in large quantities to New York."

Dec. 28, 1901

Lady dentist! - Ella F. S. Stone will be at Dr. Stone's Orleans office the first Tuesday of every month and at her office in Wellfleet every Saturday where she will be pleased to receive patients, and will guarantee satisfactory work at reasonable prices."

Churches made Christmas very enjoyable for the children connected with each Sunday school... very pleasant hour was spent on Christmas Eve in distributing presents and listening to the exercises given by the children... etc. etc. etc.

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Jan. 4, 1902

Long report of Rev. Dr. Edward Everett Hale's discussion at South Cong. Church in Boston - the citizenship class - re: "The effect that the landing of the Pilgrims has had upon the world, particularly on the religion, the sociology and the civil governments of all nations...."

cf. book by an English writer, Zincke, circa 1882, which book states "all history is important chiefly for its nearness or distance from the landing of the Pilgrims in Plymouth colony & their settlement there -"

Pilgrims - Hale "It gets to be a more astonishing fact every year that 161 persons, 50 of whom were dead the next spring, should have established such a successful colony."

Pilgrims were ① "first to put on paper a government of officers chosen wholly by themselves"

② "Chief factor in establishing universal suffrage in this country
(this idea got to Phila via B. Franklin)

③ "first people to establish a Registry of Deeds & by doing so have revolutionized the holding of real estate all over the world."

Hale "The belief in democracy is sensible because it says that all can manage better than one - and gives an opportunity for the brains of all the members to contribute to the general knowledge or utility of the world."

Jan. 4 - 1902

"The Congregational society tendered a reception to their pastor & his wife, Rev. & Mrs. E. J. Rackett at the parlors of the church on Wednesday evening, Jan. 1, it being the celebration of the 25th anniversary of their marriage. A generous gift in cash was presented to them - - - pleasant evening - - - ice cream & cake."

Jan. 25, 1902

"After a long & trying illness from that dread disease, consumption, Mr. Lina Paine, dau. of Capt. & Mrs. Alfred Paine, passed away at the home of her sister, Mrs. Henry K. Cummings at the age of 29 years, 8 mos.
Services at H. K. Cummings - conducted by Rev. E. J. Rackett of the Cong. church."

Officers of Universalist Circle - include { 5 Directresses and
1 Providing agent

News has been received from the owners of the bark James Rice, Capt. Alfred Paine, master, that she encountered a hurricane Dec. 5th (lost Dec. 2) & lost her sails. ... Kepton & put into Rio, S.A.
Paine's name has been which met she in the ...

Jan. 25, 1902 "East Orleans: Mrs. Adeline, widow of Clement Snow, passed away Monday night, like a summer cloud, at the age of 91 years, 8 mos."

Feb. 1, 1902 "... obituary of Mrs. Adeline Snow - life long Universalist - - - - Funeral services" conducted by Rev. N. S. Hill, assisted by Rev. E. D. Rickett. One musical selection, "Rest for the Weary" was very feelingly rendered by Mrs. N. S. Hill and Joseph E. Taylor, grandson of the deceased."

N.Y. Governor Odell on "New York's Battle with Tuberculosis" - need to build sanatoria.

Feb. 8, 1902 - Look up the Pilgrim Club, ^{Brewster} "It has been required since 1639 that a record should be kept of births, marriages & deaths - - -"

Annual Town Meeting held on Monday, Feb. 3 + was called to order by D. L. Young, town clerk, at 1 p.m.

No moderator listed - \$10,650 total amt voted -

Feb. 22, 1902 Orleans "An entertainment given for the benefit of the senior class of the High school was held at the Town hall, on Wednesday evening. A very interesting program, consisting of a lecture on the Pan American Exposition, by Rev. E. D. Rickett, illustrated by the stereopticon, and recitations and musical selections were greatly enjoyed by a large and appreciative audience. Ice cream & cake were served during the evening."

(an R.N.?)

"Miss Alice Linnell has gone to East Brewster, where she is engaged professionally."

March 8, 1902 "The shop of T. Frank Ellis is fast nearing completion. It is two stories high and they anticipate a large business, as they will do anything from shoeing horses to building and painting carriages."

"Henry F. Cummings has completed the telephone connection between the store and residence of J. H. Cummings, Esq."

"Postmaster Smith has purchased the post-office building and is having it enlarged for the accommodation of his boot and shoe business."



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"Alfred Fulcher ... recently purchased of Palmer Bros. of Conn., a fine horse power gasoline engine which will aid him greatly in his business of blacksmithing, etc. He proposes using it in his yard boat during the summer season."

March 22, 1902

"Roland L. Mayo has bought a new horse for use in carting bricks for the large building about to be put up in So. Orleans for William Winslow & Beverly. Charles W. Hopkins is the master builder and Christopher and William Edwards are the masons."

Jacob
White

"The monument of the late Rev. Jacob White, a former pastor of the Congregational society, has been straightened. The Ladies Circle have voted to take care of the lot for five years as Mr. White was the organizer of the Ladies Circle 59 years ago."

Adv.

"These handsome Nottingham lace curtains - \$1.50 per pair -"

March 29, 1902

(Saturday)

18 cases listed under Divorce Cases -

? Holy Week?

"Evening services will be held at the Cong. Church every evening next week, commencing at 7³⁰ o'clock. A sermon by the pastor, Rev. E. J. Rickett will be given each evening."

"Each of the churches are making arrangements for the special Easter services tomorrow morning and concerts in the evening."

April 5, 1902

"The Easter concerts at the Congregational and Universalist churches were well attended, the parts being appropriate and well given. We are unable to get the program given at the Congregational Church. At the Universalist church the following was the program:

Prayer - by pastor N. S. Hill

Anthem - Hallelujah - by choir

Recitation

Singing

Dialogue

Reading

Recitation

etc. etc. etc.

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April 19, 1902 "East Orleans - Mr. Joseph Mayo has sold his blacksmith and undertaking shop with the land thereon to H. M. Percival, for asparagus & storage room, and has built an undertaker's room on his land near his dwelling house.

Adv. Locomotor ataxia - top of ad for Pink Pills for Pale People -

Talmage - writer of sermons - died

May 31, 1902 Orleans "Rev. E. I. Rickett attended the Mass. Assn of Cong. Churches at Plymouth"

What were the Daughters of Liberty?

"Charles A. Mayo has joined his vessel for the season's mackerel fishing."

June 7, 1902 Gen'l announcement of Children's Day in all churches (Cong. Meth + Univ. -)
but only the Universalist gave more information about the program.

"The crew of the Orleans L. S. S. (Life Saving Station?) came off duty on Saturday night, May 31st at 12 o'clock."

June 14, 1902 Has full account of program on children's day at Universalist church - names of all children who recited or sang or whatever -

"Rev. E. I. Rickett will address the life-savers tomorrow morning at the Cong. church, to which all who have ever been in the service are most cordially invited."

June 21, 1902 Good account of special service (2 inches in the column)
for life-savers -

June 28, 1902 ^{East Orleans} Roland Mayo lost quite a valuable horse last week from lock-jaw, caused by stepping on a nail and getting cold in it.

July 2, 1902 Orleans "There were seven received into the membership of the Congregational church on Sunday, the rite of baptism being administered by the pastor, Rev. E. I. Rickett."

— Newspaper account of dedication of the
remodelled building in 1889

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Dedicated Wed. Jan. 30,
at 10 o'clock.

Orleans

Congregational Church of Orleans —

The Congregational Church building of Orleans, which has recently been remodelled was originally built in 1829. Its outside dimensions were 41 X 68 with posts about 18 feet high and a roof of low pitch, which together with double rows of numerous windows, gave the building an appearance reminding one more of a factory than a church. It was built of the best of stock and of heavy timbers and all apparently in as good condition as when first put together. The roof had not been renewed and was perfectly tight and in good condition. Inside it contained but a single room with a gallery on three sides and short narrow entries from the doors. It was remodeled by raising the pitch of the roof about six feet, diminishing the number of windows and flooring it over on a level with the gallery floor. The belfry was also raised about 6 feet, and in order to light the auditorium on the upper floor, three dormer windows were placed in the roof on each side. The lower story is divided into a lobby 16 X 40 feet, a vestry 32 X 40,

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a parlor 16x26, a kitchen 14x16. The second floor consists of a lobby 16x40 and an auditorium 40x50. This room is neatly frescoed and is finished to the peak of the roof, which is supported by exposed trusses of hard pine. It is considered by all who have seen it a handsome and comfortable room, well adapted to the uses for which it is intended. It has seating capacity for 300, but can comfortably accommodate 400 in case of necessity. The contract for carpenter work, plastering, painting and furnishing all the required material was taken by Hamer & Jenkins, for the sum of \$3,575.00. The building committee was extremely fortunate in securing such reliable & faithful contractors. Everything was done in a satisfactory & workman-like manner according to the spirit of the contract. The ^{mason} work was done by Mr. Paine of Harwich and the painting by Benjamin Buck, Harwich. The frescoing was subsequently contracted for by Mr. Buck which was tastefully & well done and has greatly improved the appearance of the building. The entire expense

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for building & furnishing has been \$4,327.28 to which should be added \$60 paid for plans of building three years ago to S. N. Small, architect. The total receipts are \$4,397.50, leaving a balance of \$70.29 in the treasury. Subscriptions amounting to \$220. are pledged to be paid in annual installments for four years, the greater part of which will be paid and can be used for improvements, which from a sense of economy, the committee did not include in their contract. The sum pledged when the vote was taken to remodel the church was less than \$2000. The society is not a wealthy one and the work was undertaken with the prospect of incurring a large debt. From friends who were chiefly natives and former residents of the town, there was received the sum of \$1042. The sum of \$351.71 was raised mostly from friends abroad by letters soliciting small sums. It is the help obtained from these sources that has placed the society in its prosperous financial condition."

(Then general statements of gratitude to all & sundry "united efforts & good will of all who have contributed to its success.")

"A list of the contributors and the sums... is preserved by the Treasurer of the Society & is open to inspection..."

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Dedication service - (on Wednesday, Jan. 30, 1889 1 p.m.)

1. Organ Voluntary
2. Invocation, Rev. Mr. Hood
3. Anthem "Except the Lord Build the House" - choir
4. Reading the scriptures, Rev. J. S. Gay
5. Hymn "Sing to the Lord with Heart & Voice"
6. History of the church by Jonathan Higgins
7. Report of Building Committee, D. L. Young, Chairman
8. Prayer of Dedication, Rev. D. W. Clark
9. Hymn: How Charming is the Place choir & Congregation -
10. Sermon: Rev. Thomas Bickford
11. Prayer Rev. H. P. Cutting
12. Hymn "Arise, O King of Grace, Arise" choir & congregation
13. Anthem: "O, Give Thanks" - choir
14. Doxology - "Praise God" congregation -

The weather was favorable and the house was well filled, many friends

The text of the dedicatory sermon is found in First Kings, 8 chapter, 27 verse*, the one preached from by the Rev. John Turner, at the former dedication in 1829. " . . . (Sermon ok too?)

* (see over for verse^{ed.})

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I Kings 8:27

"But will God indeed dwell
on the earth? Behold heaven and
the highest heaven cannot contain
thee; how much less this house
which I have built!"

Solomon's Prayer of Dedication
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A reception was held in the evening... first part spent in the parlor & vestry in social conversation & meeting of friends - (out of town former residents, people from neighboring churches etc. etc. etc.)

Afterwards the company gathered in the auditorium in a service of praise & in making impromptu speeches on various topics connected with the church & its history.

These were participated in by Thomas Deane of Charlestown, Russell & John Snow of Cambridge, Dea. Jonathan Higgins, David L. Young, Hiram Myers & Rev. Thos. Bickford who had charge of the meeting. The evening was one of profit and pleasure. The exercises closed with the singing of Auld Lang Syne and with the benediction.

— Mr. Chas. F. Swift & wife were in town to attend the dedication.

— Capt. Lot Higgins presented the church with its lamps. The wish of his many friends is that he may have many years to enjoy them. "

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Column

Several Temperance meetings
Rev. H. W. Conant, the 10th in Town Hall - . . .
re: Prohibitory Amendment

"Last Sunday night a union service was held in the Congregational church, Deacon Higgins presided. The singing was by the three church choirs + the addresses were by Rev. Messrs. Fraser (univ. minister) and Norris" . . . another meeting will be held in the Cong. church next Sunday -

"Monday, April 22, Rev. A. A. Miner, D. D., of Boston, will lecture in Town Hall, on the prohibitory amendment, to commence at 12⁴⁵. The public are cordially invited to attend all these meetings."

Although the Ladies Benevolent Association was founded (by Rev. Jacob White) in 1842, our earliest records go back only to 1854.

Oakburg Feb. 2nd 1854.

The annual meeting of the Ladies Benevolent Association was held at the house of Capt. Abiel Doane. The meeting was opened with prayer, after which the report was read by Mrs. B. C. Richmond and accepted. The business of the ensuing year was then attended to, and by a unanimous vote the following list of officers chosen.

Mrs Jacob White President.
Mrs Alex. Kenrick Vice President.
Miss Mary Doane Secretary & Treasurer.

Mrs Amariah Mayo
Mrs Lydia Richmond
Miss Mary Mayo
Miss Julia Snow

} Directors

Miss Thankful Doane
Mrs Sarah Keyers
Miss Susan C. Sparrow
Miss Abigail Kenrick
Mrs A. C. Hopkins

} Charity
subscribers

Our Capital is now \$61.92.00.
\$58.00 of which is at interest, leaving but a
few dollars in the Treasury. As our President
is prevented by sickness from meeting with
us, Mrs Kendrick will supply her place.
Before commencing new work she has thought
best to have finished all that has been com-
menced the previous year. Four Ladies bring
their own work paying 10 cts. Each has been
taken from the pool here amounting to 40 cts.
At 9 o'clock the meeting was closed "Amen".

List of Members for 1854.

Miss Abigail Doane x
Mrs Abial Doane x
Mrs Seth P. Doane x
Mrs Isaac Doane x
Miss Thankful Doane x
Miss Martha Doane x
— Mary Doane x
Mrs A. W. Hopkins x
Mrs Alex. Kendrick x
Miss Selina Kendrick x

1854 Membership List (cont.)
Ladies Benevolent Association

Mrs Amariah Mayo x
Miss Mercy Mayo x
Miss Hester Estlin M. Nickerson. x
Mrs Sarah Rogers (m. yet joined)
Miss Mary L. Rogers x
Mrs Lydia C. Richmond x
Mrs Jacob White x
Miss Henrietta Young x
Hon. Members

Capt Isaac Dean x
Capt Asaiah Dean x
Mr Alexander Kerrick x
Rev. Jacob White x

Receives for goods 45
For work. 12
Contribution for Y. 4. 96.

Members joined March 27th

Mrs William Mozack. x May 20th Lc.
Miss Amanda Dean x
Mrs Dorcas Freeman x
Mrs Rebecca Brown x
Miss Julia Brown x
Miss Clara Cummings. x
Miss Maria Dean x
Miss Hulda Mayo. x

Orleans March 16th 1854

Twelve members of the Association met at Capt Joshua Deane's March 16th. It was a beautiful afternoon & should have simplified our many ones: The meeting was opened with prayer by our Minister. After which he made some remarks upon the current state of the Society and seemed to think it time to "have" a shaking amongst the dry bones and advised that some measure should be taken to that effect. A motion to this effect, is sufficient and his suggestions were immediately acted upon. As for some time there has been great difficulty in obtaining places at which to hold the meetings and so this summer we may of abating it but by adopting new resolutions, the following were taken upon & accepted.

That each member of the Association, in alphabetical order should hold the meetings at their house. If not convenient at the time, to supply the place, or pay the sum of two dollars & it should be to him the same as having the meeting. This appeared to give general satisfaction. A shaker. Shaker in the evening.

Ladies Benevolent Association

Meeting of March 16, 1854 (Cont.)

prevalent on number being much increased
President V. V. President both being absent Miss
Morrison being chosen to supply the place Pres-
ident - Adjourned at half past eight without
place or day.

May Dean.
Sec -

Work done	4.
Wine Sold	82.
Price for Ag. book	25.

March 27th Met at the house of Mrs A. B.
Hopkins. The meeting as usual was opened
with prayer. Mr White stayed with us longer
than usual, & not only cheered & encouraged us
by his presence, but assisted us in winding
yarn. Six members were absent. Thirty-four
ladies were present & the work & both propa-
ganda in the number. The principal work knit-
ting & preparing articles for the Sabbath. At
half past eight, adjourned to meet in a forth-
night. At Mrs. Webb's table 3.00

Received into the Treasury,

For inspiration fee.

Articles taken from last bro. \$ 1. 12,

In 1912 the Ladies Aid Society
still used the 1885 Constitution

Constitution of the Ladies Aid Society
of the Congregational Parish March 1885

art-1 This society shall know as the Ladies
Aid Society.

" II Any lady or gentleman may be admitted
to membership in this society by the payment
of usual fee. the amount of which shall be
~~decided~~ determined by vote of the society.

" III The officers of this society shall consist
of a President. Vice president. Sec & Treas.
and a Presidential Committee of three.
who shall be chosen at the Annual meeting,
which shall be the first-regular meeting
in Jan. unless otherwise decided by vote.
These officers shall serve for one year, or until
others are chosen in their stead. The
minor business of the society may be
entrusted to special committee, as the
society shall by vote, from time to time decide

Constitution of the
Ladies Aid Society
(cont.)

Art 4th. The right of Suffrage in this society
shall be restricted to Ladies.

" 5th Six of the voting members shall
constitute a quorum for the transaction
of any business. but a small number
may adjourn to meet at some other
time. All questions shall be decided
by a majority of those voting but a
two thirds majority of those voting
shall be required for the appropriation of
money.

Membership for 1912-

Mrs Bessie Dickie,	.25-
" Debbie Higgins,	.25-
" Minnie Sherman,	.25-
" Helen Hall,	.25-
" Ackeri Young,	.25-
" Mary Sparrow,	.25-
" Ella Snow,	.25-
" Ida A Cummings,	.25-
Miss Minnie Percival,	.25-
Mrs Lillie Sugg,	.25-
" Mary E Cummings,	.25-
" Clarendon Smith,	L. 25-
Miss Mary D. Mayo,	.25-
Mrs Nellie Ducker,	.25-
" Norton Jones,	.25-
Miss Harriet - A Nilson Paid to Aug 23- ¹⁹¹³ 1912	L. 0v
Mrs Celia Crosby,	.25-
" May E Mayo,	.25-
" Myra Higgins,	.25-
" Belinda Cole,	.25-
Miss Ackeri Higgins,	

Mrs Freeman E Snow,	.25-
Miss Eleanor Moulton,	.25-

Orleans Jan 10th 1912-

The Ladies Aid Society met on this date. Records of last meeting read & accepted. The annual report was read & accepted. The election of officers was postponed until Jan 24th meeting adj'd to meet in two weeks.

Rec'd		J A Cummings. Sec'y	
Goods sold	\$ 3.80	Paid out-	
Supper	3.20	Bread & Butter	\$ 1.13
Brown ^{scraps}	.20		
Ford	.25		
Citron	.05		
Membership fee	2.25		
	<u>\$ 9.75</u>		

Orleans Jan 24th 1912-

The Ladies Aid Society met on this date. Records of last meeting read & accepted. The officers were elected by ballot for the ensuing year.

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Members For 1923

Pres	Mrs Downs	Miss Nelson	5.00
V. Pres	" F. Snow	Mrs Clara Smith	2.00
Sec & Tr	" G. S. Hall	Mrs Welch	
Director	Miss A. Higgins	" W Crosby	
"	Mrs Ch Sparrow	Miss Julia Cummings	
"	" C L Harris +	" M J Mayo	
Prot Agt	Miss Abbie Atkins	Mrs Gould	
	Mrs M. Cummings	" Horie	
	" M S. Sparrow		
	" J R Higgins		
	" Jennie Parker		
	" Sam Sturd		
	" E. L. Chase		
	" Thompson		
	" Norman Hopkins		
	" Cole +		
	" H. K. Ingersoll +		
	" C. E. Ingersoll +		
	" Bertha Higgins		
	" S. R. Higgins		
	" H A Taylor		
	" L. Moulton		
	" Rob Mayo +		

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Jan'y 3rd 1923.

An all day session with the usual basket-lunch was held on this date. We had the privilege of entertaining Mrs. Hatch of Exeter ~~and~~ Mrs. Ober of this town & Mr. Easton of Chatham who accompanied Mr. Partington to lunch. At 2.20. the President Called the Mtg to order, records of the last meeting were read and accepted. after which we proceeded to elect officers for 1923. as follows. Pres Mrs Downs V.P. Mrs Snow Secy & Tr. Mrs Hall. Directresses Miss Addie Higgins Mrs Ch Sparrow & Mrs Harris. Per Agt. Miss Abbie Atkins. It was voted that 3 members be app'd to act with and assist the President as a Benevolence Committee & Mrs C. E. Ingersoll. Mrs Mary Sparrow & Mrs E. L. Chase were appointed by the Pres. Letters of thanks & appreciation for gift and flowers from Mr. Partington and Mrs Moulton were read. Mrs Ingersoll thanked the Circle for Mrs H. K. Ingersoll and Mrs Hall for Miss Nelson.

